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## Author Helps Library To Initiate Inaugural "Princeton Reads"

When he was a child, Chang-rae Lee spent endless hours reading at his local library. Now the entire community is reading one of his books.

In August, the Princeton community selected *Native Speaker* by Professor Lee, who joined the Princeton University faculty this fall as a member of the Humanities Council and the Creative Writing Program, as the winner of the first "Princeton Reads" program.

Sponsored by the Princeton Public Library, the program is encouraging the entire community to read the same book and discuss the issues raised within the novel through a series of local discussion groups.

On Monday afternoon, Professor Lee spoke about *Native Speaker*, his work, his life, and the Princeton community at a press conference at the library.

"I read all day," he said, "but I never planned on writing or loving it so much."

Professor Lee expects a wide variety of responses from the community to his novel. "There are so many things in the book that hold importance to me," he said, "and people tend to pick up on different things."

"Some people are talking about the demise of reading, but that doesn't seem to be true," he added. "I think people recognize that TV and movies can only give them so much. People bring so much of themselves to what they read."

According to Leslie Burger, director of the library, Princeton is the second community in New Jersey to undertake a community-wide reading event. With nearly all 205 copies of the book checked out, the response to the program has been tremendous.

In June, the library's selection committee announced a list of six books by authors with connections to Princeton from which the community would select one.

The initial list of books selected by the committee included Professor Lee's *Native Speaker*, *Rule of the Bone* by Russell Banks, a

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## Limit Proposed for Downtown Growth

At a public presentation of its downtown master plan on Wednesday, September 18, Princeton Future recommended curtailing downtown growth, but only after the completion of the Borough redevelopment project and Palmer Square's Hulfish North development project.

"In the community's opinion, the downtown is approaching build-out," said Robert Brown, a planner hired by Princeton Future to create a master plan based on public hearings and task-force meetings conducted over the last two years.

Downtown growth should consist, said Mr. Brown, of the Borough's proposed redevelopment of the Park & Shop Lot adjacent to the library, the construction of up to 150 housing units in the block north of Hulfish Street, "and that's it, no more."

"The equilibrium is now reached," said Robert Geddes, an architect and co-chairman of Princeton Future. "That is a momentous decision for this community."

Princeton Future's hour-long presentation stressed the need for preservation — maintaining the

scale and density of the downtown, protecting residential neighborhoods from "downtown creep," and preserving the character and diversity of both downtown and residential areas.

Incorporating affordable space, both retail and residential, into downtown development was another key concern. The group proposed increasing the number of units and the diversity of housing types in the residential development planned for the block north of

Hulfish Street. Currently, construction of 97 luxury townhouses over the Chambers and Hulfish street parking garages remains stalled due to a dispute over affordable housing between the Borough and the property's developer, Palmer Square Management.

Princeton Future's downtown vision includes realigning and narrowing Paul Robeson Place while maintaining on-street parking on both sides of the street. The

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## Valley Road Use, Ownership To Be Considered by Officials

Now that the Township has moved into its new \$11.8 million, 55,000 square-foot municipal complex at 400 Witherspoon Street, questions regarding the use and ownership of the Valley Road Building have begun to surface.

Located at 369 Witherspoon Street, across the street from the new municipal complex, the Valley Road Building is occupied by both the Princeton Regional School District and Princeton Township.

Whether the property is owned by the Township or the school district and what its long-term use will be are questions yet to be resolved by Township officials and School Board members.

"The site across the street from the new municipal complex is an extremely valuable asset to the community," said James Pascale, Township administrator. "We have an obligation to evaluate the entire

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**A MUST READ:** Chang-rae Lee, author of *Native Speaker*, the first book chosen under the public library's "Princeton Reads" program, and a new professor at Princeton University, discusses his work during a press conference at the library on Monday.

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### Historical Society to Hold Forum on Canal History

The Historical Society of Princeton will offer a free forum on the history and preservation of the Delaware & Raritan Canal at 7:30 on October 2 in Room 6 on the second floor of Stuart Hall at Princeton Theological

Seminary.

Scheduled to take place in conjunction with the current exhibit, "From Towpath to Bike Path: Princeton and the D&R Canal," which will run through March, 2003, the program will focus on preservation of both historic and natural resources.

Links between the natural and built environments, the evolution of the canal from waterway to recreation area, and current issues relating to the preservation of the canal will be addressed by the panelists.

Participants will include moderator Pat Pizzini Huizing, director of Preservation New Jersey; James C. Amon, executive director of the D&R Canal Commission; James Scott Hill, an attorney with Smith Stratton Heher Wise and Brennan, who successfully secured New Jersey's

right to use water from the canal in the 1960s;

Also Linda Mead, director of the D&R Greenway; Marc Matsil, assistant commissioner of natural and historic resources with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and Constance M. Greiff, an architectural historian and the principal of Heritage Studies.

### Joint Recreation Board Meeting Date Change

The meeting scheduled by the Joint Recreation Board for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 26 at the Princeton Recreation Department Conference Room (lower level) has been changed to October 3.

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**INTO THE PAST:** Within its landscaped grounds, the Princeton Cemetery offers a peaceful setting and an opportunity to discover the historical significance of the Princeton community.  
(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

## Princeton Cemetery Offers Peaceful, Historical Window into Local History

This article is the first in a four-part series on the history and beauty of local cemeteries.  
**F**or those interested in discovering the origins of street names throughout Princeton or searching for a tranquil site to reflect, the Princeton Cemetery provides an ideal setting.  
Among the shade trees and landscaped grounds, a United States President, a Vice President, signers of the Declaration of Independence, and University presidents, including one famous Calvinist theologian, are all interred in the cemetery.  
Located at 29 Greenview Avenue and extending to the

corner of Witherspoon and Wiggins streets, the Princeton Cemetery offers a unique window into local history.  
"What brings people to the cemetery is the atmosphere," said Princeton Cemetery Superintendent Doug Sutphen. "With the trees and grounds here, it's more like a park."  
"Many people come to sit with a loved one who has passed away," he added, "while other people come here to spend their lunch breaks or to talk with each other or to see the historical sites."  
The development of the cemetery is closely connected to the community, which was settled as Stony Brook in 1681, renamed Princeton in 1724, and incorporated by the state in 1813.  
Except for some private plots on several pre-Revolutionary family farms, the oldest burial ground in Princeton is at the Quaker Meeting House.

included an old burial ground that was later returned to the College in exchange for the cemetery that had been established by the College in 1757.  
Conveyed by Judge Leonard to Thomas Wiggins in 1783, the Wiggins Farm was adjacent to the original cemetery. In 1801, Dr. Wiggins bequeathed his farm to the church, and the house located on the property became the manse. The

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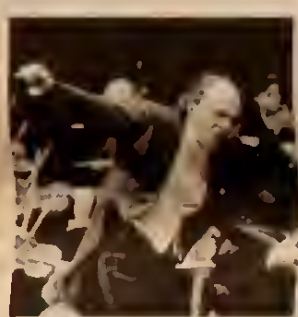
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Now 19 acres, the Princeton Cemetery has gone through a series of transformations and expansions in its history.  
The original one-acre parcel of land known as the Presidents' Plot had been acquired by Princeton University, then the College of New Jersey, in 1757 from Judge Thomas Leonard one year after the College with its 70 students had been moved from Newark to Princeton upon the completion of Nassau Hall.  
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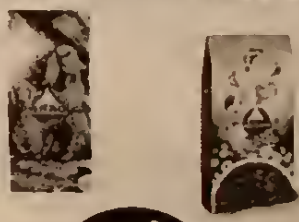
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former professor at Princeton University; *This Side of Paradise* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, who attended the University; *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison, who currently teaches in the University's Creative Writing Program; them by Joyce Carol Oates, who also teaches in the Creative Writing Program; and *The Hot Zone* by Richard Preston, a Princeton area resident.

The impetus for the program came from viewing the success of similar programs in cities such as Seattle and Chicago. People in Seattle chose *The Sweet Hereafter* by Russell Banks as their first community book, and Chicago residents selected Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

A variety of events is

planned as part of the "Princeton Reads" program.

On October 12, the program will kick off at the pre-game festivities at Princeton University's Community Day, which will take place from 11 to 2 in and around Princeton Stadium. Before Princeton plays Colgate, copies of *Notive Speaker* will be awarded to the first 100 people who attend the event, and Professor Lee will appear to sign copies of his book.

Library officials also issued an invitation for local residents to submit 500-word essays by October 15 in response to their reading of *Notive Speaker*. Submitted essays will be published on the library's website, and a selected one will be published in *Town Topics*.

In addition, a number of questions from the audience. Born in Korea, Professor Lee immigrated to the United States with his family when he was 2 years old. Raised in Westchester, N.Y., he graduated from Yale University with a degree in English and from the University of Oregon with an MFA in writing.

The local organizations and businesses that will be hosting discussion groups include the Princeton Senior Resource Center, McCarter Theater, the Princeton University Store, the YWCA Princeton, Princeton High School, Micawber Books, Marsha Child Contemporary Gallery, Cranbury Station Gallery, and TV30, which will tape a book discussion group and air readings of *Notive Speaker* by community members throughout October.

Professor Lee will also appear at Princeton High School on Wednesday, October 23 to read a selection from *Notive Speaker*, talk about the book, and answer

Before turning to writing full time, he worked as a Wall Street analyst for a year.

Released in 1995 by Riverhead Books, *Notive Speaker* won numerous honors, including the Hemingway Foundation/PEN award and the American Book Award.

Though he did not expect that his work would generate such acclaim, Professor Lee has sought to adjust to the changes in his life. "It's a little bit daunting," he said. "I've become more of a public person than I would be."



**CANINE COMPANIONS:** Hazel & Hannah's Pawtisserie, a gourmet bakery for pets and a product emporium for pet-lovers, will sponsor a benefit for Canine Companions for Independence on Saturday, October 5, at 16 Witherspoon Street. A portion of each sale will be donated to CCI, a non-profit organization providing highly-trained assistance dogs to people with disabilities.

*Notive Speaker*, which was his first book, explores the life of a Korean-American outsider who is involved in espionage against the backdrop of New York City politics and ethnic tensions.

"In this book, I wrote primarily about immigrants and people who are on the outside of society," said Professor Lee, who was named a finalist for *Granta Magazine's* Best American Novelists Under 40 Award. "Those issues seem to capture the imagination of readers, particularly American readers. There is a feeling of being within and without at the same moment."

In 1999, Professor Lee completed his second novel, *A*

*Gesture Life*, which elaborated on the themes of identity and assimilation through the narrative of an elderly physician who recalls treating Korean "comfort women" during World War II. According to Ms. Burger, that book was chosen by Seattle as its second community-wide book to read.

Professor Lee indicated that his third book, which is scheduled to be released sometime in the fall of 2003, continues with the themes of cultural identity, but the main character is neither Korean-American nor Asian-American.

Beginning this fall, Profes-

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— Debbie Cordonnier, Greenbriar Row



"I think that you have to have the okay of certain other countries... just to keep world peace. Somebody is going to be upset no matter how you look at it, but there are those who want to do what we are getting ready to do, but they don't have the heart and they don't have the military to do it. Have a summit and get everybody, all the cards on the table. If the majority of them say no, then I'd go ahead and do it anyway. We're the more powerful country."

— Rich Wilson, John Street



"I think they should get more support, and that the thing should happen through the United Nations if it has to happen. The U.N. is the body that should endorse such a thing if at all. [Without U.N. support] most of the Arab countries probably will be more antagonized against the United States which will finish the cycle. That won't be good for the people of America in the long run."

— Saurabh Sinha, Harrison Lane



"I think it's nice to have but not a must have. As leaders of the free world, sometimes you have to make decisions independently of the rest of the countries if it's in the interest of the free world."

— Peter Nalen, Pheasant Hill Road

## Chang-rae Lee

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sor Lee will be teaching creative writing classes and an occasional literature course in conjunction with the University's East Asian Studies Program.

Last year, while the director of the MFA Program at Hunter College in New York City, Professor Lee taught as a visiting professor at Princeton University and had the opportunity to work with colleagues on the Humanities Council. "Working with them was fantastic," he said. "They offered exactly what one would hope for from great writers and colleagues."

Thus far, Professor Lee and his family, who moved to Princeton in August, have enjoyed their new home. "This move to Princeton University is not one that I'm considering to be short-term," said Professor Lee, who is married with two young daughters. "We think that this is a community where we want our children to grow up."

Given the interest that "Princeton Reads" has already generated, library officials may continue the program in the future. "This is our first year doing the program," said Ms. Burger. "If it's successful, then we'll keep doing it. There are a lot of books to read."

Professor Lee indicated that any of the works by his new colleagues at Princeton University would be more than suitable for the program.

"In some ways, as long as it's a serious book, it almost doesn't matter what it is," he added. "What matters is that people find a way into it and that it serves as a catalyst for discussion. Any good book will do."

—David McNutt

## Novelist Junot Diaz To Read at University

Princeton University's Program in Creative Writing will present a reading by novelist Junot Diaz on Wednesday, September 25 at 4:30.

The author of *Drown* and *Negocios*, Mr. Diaz will speak in the Stewart Film Theater at 185 Nassau Street. The program will be free and open to the public.

Mr. Diaz will be introduced by Chang-rae Lee, the author

of *Notive Speaker*, which ton Reads" program, and a was selected for the Princeton new member of the Princeton Public Library's "Prince- University faculty.

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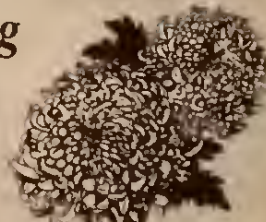
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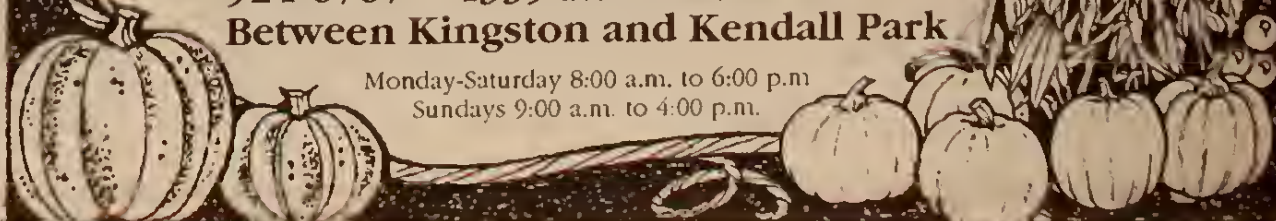
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Princeton native Christopher Reeve will give a lecture entitled "Nothing is Impossible: Reflections on a New Life" at the Hilton Hotel in East Brunswick on October 7 at 7 p.m. The talk, named after his new book which went on sale Tuesday, will focus on the themes of overcoming hardships, refusing to accept limitations, and living life fully.

Mr. Reeve, an actor, director, and activist, was paralyzed from the shoulders down after being thrown from a horse in 1995. At the time of the accident, doctors predicted he would never regain any motor ability or breathe

independently without a ventilator.

As Mr. Reeve reports in his new book and a documentary that aired on ABC on September 18, he can now move the toes on both feet, move the fingers on his left hand, and raise his right hand 90 degrees. He can also feel sensation all over his body, sit unsupported for 30 minutes, and breathe without a ventilator for up to 90 minutes.

Mr. Reeve has been undergoing therapy using exercise and electricity to activate muscle groups under the guidance of Dr. John W. McDonald, assistant professor of neurology and director of the spinal cord injury program at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis.

Mr. Reeve, a married father of three, continues to work as a director for television and film. In 1999, he became chairman of the board of the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation, supporting research to develop effective treatments for paralysis caused by spinal cord injury and other central nervous system disorders.

He is the vice chairman of the National Organization on Disability, a group that focuses on quality of life issues for the disabled, and is on the board of directors for T.E.A.M. Sports, a group that organizes sporting events for athletes with disabilities.

The October 7 talk will be presented by Friends' Health Connection, a non-profit

organization providing information and support to enrich the lives of individuals with health problems and their families and caregivers. It will also be funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Health Network.

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets, call Friends' Health Connection at (800) 483-7436.

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## Volunteers Sought To Teach English, Share Culture

The Friends of the International Center at Princeton University is seeking volunteer tutors and host families to help foreign graduate students, visiting scholars, and their spouses improve their conversational English and adjust to life in the United States.

The Friends is a support group affiliated with the International Center at Princeton University. Currently, there are approximately 1,000 graduate students and visiting scholars on campus.

Volunteers can participate in the one-on-one conversation, group conversation, or host family program. Volunteers are matched with stu-

dents or visiting scholars for one year or more.

Volunteers providing individual conversation practice meet with a graduate student or visiting scholar for at least one hour per week. The program is currently helping approximately 100 students and scholars improve their English skills through informal conversation sessions.

The group conversation program primarily serves the spouses of foreign students and scholars. Approximately 40 spouses meet with volunteer tutors on Tuesdays from 1 to 2 and Thursdays from 10 to 12. Volunteers can assist on one or both days.

The program teaches conversational skills, pronunciation, and idioms, while also helping participants adjust to the cultural differences of living in the United States.

Volunteers who wish to participate on a less frequent basis can join the host program. Host families invite the family of a foreign student or scholar to share social gatherings and holidays throughout the year.

The English conversation and host programs help volunteers and foreign visitors increase their understanding and respect for each other's values, customs, and traditions. For information, call Hanna Hand at 258-1170.

### Photo of the Week

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**UP, UP, & AWAY:** John Peach, Jr., 17, of Princeton, recently completed his FAA flight and oral examination to become a fully licensed private pilot. Family and friends were on hand at Maxson Airfield in Alexandria Bay, N.Y. to celebrate Mr. Peach's accomplishment. Receiving his license was the culmination of a lifelong goal that entailed more than four years of lessons and study. Mr. Peach, a junior at Princeton Day School, is the fourth generation Peach to become an aviator. His late grandfather, Robert E. Peach, Sr., was president and CEO of Mohawk Airlines, a predecessor of U.S. Air.

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**BIRD OF A DIFFERENT FEATHER:** Joseph McGeehan, 4, of South Plainfield, poses as a chicken at Terhune Orchards Apple Day Harvest Festival on Sunday.  
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### Deer Evaluation Committee To Hold Second Meeting

On Tuesday, October 1 at 6 the committee appointed by the Township Committee to evaluate the Township's deer management program will hold its second public meeting at the new Township Municipal Complex.

Tuesday night's meeting has been scheduled to accommodate those who wish to attend the Adult School at Princeton High School.

The program under evaluation began in March 2001.

Part of the program included the hiring of White Buffalo, a Connecticut-based wildlife management firm, which removed 322 deer in their first year. The program continued in January 2002 when White Buffalo removed an additional 303 deer. A significant reduction in deer-car accidents has followed.

To date, the committee has been holding discussions with authorities on various aspects of the management of deer and other wildlife. A public meeting was held on August 15.

This meeting has been scheduled specifically to hear suggestions from the public. Citizens are urged to attend and present their ideas for coping with Princeton's deer herd and its overpopulation.

Those with suggestions are requested to supply documentation of the effectiveness of what they propose and to outline how their proposal might be implemented in Princeton.

### Latin Documentary Festival Coming to University

Princeton University will inaugurate an annual documentary film festival highlighting documentaries from Latin America and Spain. Screenings and discussions are scheduled for October 5 through 9, and are free and open to the public. All events will take place in the Frist Performance Theater on the

third floor of the Frist Campus Center.

The festival will focus this year on "Crossing Borders" - the divisions between countries and cultures, reality and film, and information and experience. The festival's organizers aim to provide a more comprehensive vision of the cultures of Latin America and Spain, steering clear of stereotypes and clichés. All

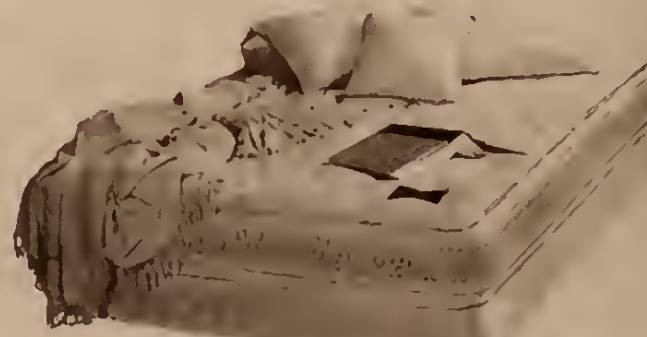
films will be in Spanish or Portuguese with English subtitles.

The schedule is as follows: Sunday, October 6, at 4:30, *Lo Television y Yo*, and at 7, *Viva Soo Jooo*; Monday, October 7, at 7:30, *Um Pasoporte Hungoro*; Tuesday, October 8, at 12:15, a discussion entitled "What's New in the New Latin American Documentary?" with Argen-

tine filmmaker Andres Di Tella, director of the festival, and Brazilian filmmaker Sandra Kogut, and at 7:30, *En Construcción*; Wednesday, October 9, at 4:30, *La Botalla de Chile*. Call 258-7180 for information.

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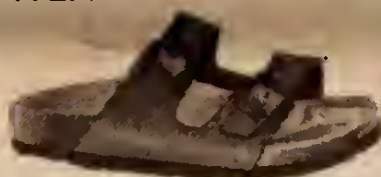
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## Hospital Reports Births To 10 Area Residents

The Medical Center at Princeton has reported births to 10 area residents in the two-week period ending September 20.


A twin boy and girl were Daughters were born to

born to Julia and Charles Chesebrough, Skillman, September 17.

Sons were born to Heidi and Ryan Shaver, Princeton, September 14; and to Margaret and Gustav Niebuhr, Princeton, September 18.

Jessica and Matthew Tamasi, Pennington, September 6; Alina and Walter Ovalle, Princeton, September 6; Xiuping and Allan Zheng, Pennington, September 12; and to Kerrie and Robert Coleman, Princeton, September 12.

Daughters were also born to Kristin and Patrick Goss, Princeton, September 14; Judith and Thomas Hare, Pennington, September 16; and to Carol and Don Jackson, Hopewell, September 18.



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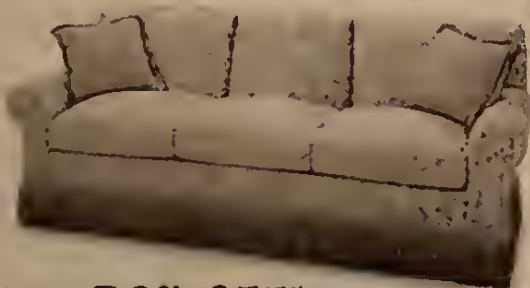
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**TEEN LEADERS:** HiTOPS recently announced the members of its Teen Council, Target Team, and Trenton PEERS for 2002-2003. The Teen Council is comprised of Katie Bliss, Tim Callahan, Fannie Chen, Shana Jackson, Dave Jean, Max Read, Calvin Reed, Alex Ripp, Theo Sebekos-Williams, Rob Sgabo, Eric Sandberg-Zakian, and Erin Walters-Bugbee from Princeton High School; Kristin Apple, Natasha Dravid, Blair Lamb, and Michael Highland from Princeton Day School; Amanda Palmer from Hopewell Valley Central High School; and Patrick Thurber from the Pennington School.

"HiTOPS was such an important part of my life growing up," said Ms. Tassie. "The clinic was a safe place where I could receive affordable, high-quality health care and counseling, and where I knew that I was valued and respected."

"Now, several years later, serving on the board of directors gives me the opportunity to give something back," she added. "I understand from personal experience what a difference HiTOPS can make in a teenager's life, and how important it is that the services are accessible to them."

Her committee for the event is comprised of seven volunteers, including recent college graduates, current graduate students, and young professionals, all of whom were attracted to HiTOPS for its mission and role in the community.

The committee includes Scott Donald, director of the New School for Music Study in Kingston; Amy Eisenstein, associate director of development and alumnae relations at Douglass College; Meredith Galanter Hastings, a graduate student at Princeton University; HiTOPS board member Joel Pacheco; Hillary

Plouffe, a student at New York University, and freelance artist and designer Krell Sielicki.

Tickets for the event are \$100, with a special reduced rate of \$40 for patrons 30 years of age and under. For more information, call 683-5155, ext. 34.

### Parade of Pets Will Benefit Shelter

Small Animal Veterinary Endowment (SAVE) will host a cocktail party fundraiser on Sunday, September 29, to launch the 2003 Pet Planner, a calendar featuring animals rescued by SAVE and pets of organization supporters.

The benefit, which will be held at the Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart, will include refreshments, music,

and a parade of animals whose photographs appear in the planner.

Following the event, planners will be on sale for \$25 at local stores and SAVE's shelter, located at 900 Herron-town Road. Proceeds from the event and planner sales will support SAVE programs in the areas of animal health and welfare, spay/neuter, adoption, and humane education.

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TO: Robert Brushi, Borough Administrator, 1 Monument Drive, Princeton, NJ  
September 23, 2002

Dear Mr. Brushi,

Bob, a small group of Princeton residents have gotten together and compiled questions from the community to gather detailed information about the proposed downtown development at the Park and Shop Lot site. Our aim is to gather detailed answers to these common questions about the development and share them with the community through ads in the Town Topics which is delivered to every home. Most of all, the attached list of questions have been structured so that simple yes/no answers or a single dollar figure is all that is needed in reply. This letter and the attached list of questions will appear in the September 25, 2002 Town Topics. We request your response by 10am Monday September 30, 2002 so we can print that in the Town Topics on October 2, 2002.

Our goal is to provide timely, accurate and useful information to the overall community and to every Borough taxpayer in as much detail as possible in one document. This should help focus discussion on this project, which is my function with this group. And it helps those of us who are not as well informed as the Council members are. And it will give everyone accurate information since the information is from the Borough itself. It is important that every question be answered. Since every detail may not be finalized on this project please feel free to qualify any answer as to how accurate it is (75%, 80%, 93%, etc.).

Sincerely,  
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- Who will pay to build the garage?
- What is the average cost per parking space in the proposed garage?
- Dividing the cost of the garage by the number of additional parking spaces provided for shoppers (not including Library, residential, retail spaces) what is the average cost per additional parking space?
- What will it cost to make the proposed changes to the existing PSE&G substation property?
- Who will pay for these changes to the PSE&G substation lot?
- What is the cost of the open space plaza?
- Who will pay for building residential/retail buildings?
- When will Borough release results of underground water studies? Is there any remediation required? At what cost?

**SIZE:**

- How many stories high will the proposed garage be?
- How many stories under ground will the proposed garage be?
- How high above ground, in feet, will the proposed garage be?
- How many square feet of residential space will be provided?
- How many stories high will the proposed building for residential and retail be?
- How high in feet will the proposed building for residential and retail be?
- How many square feet of retail space will be available?
- How many different retail enterprises are envisioned?
- What is the square footage of the proposed open space plaza?
- Is the size of the Plaza smaller than originally proposed? How much smaller?

**RESIDENTIAL COMPONENT:**

- How many proposed residential units are there?
- Will the residential units be rentals? If yes, what is proposed monthly rent?
- Will residential units be sold? If yes, what will the proposed sale price be per unit?
- Who will manage and pay for the upkeep of the building?
- Please list the number of proposed residential units by number of bedrooms, state how many of each of these different size units there will be.
- How many school aged children are expected with this development?
- How much will this number of additional children increase our school budget?
- What study do you rely on to calculate school budget increase?
- Who will own the building when it is built?
- Will this building ever belong to the Borough? If so, when?
- Who will pay for this building to be built?
- Will the Borough continue to own the ground the mixed use building is built on?
- Will there be affordable housing units built on this site? How many?
- Can we give preference for the affordable units to our local fire fighters, emergency medical service personnel, police officers?
- Who will oversee the sale of the affordable units?

**NEED:**

- What is the current estimated parking space shortage in downtown Princeton Borough?
- Is this number driving the size of the proposed garage?
- Does the proposed garage provide this number of spaces to meet this need?
- Is the garage being built primarily to fulfill the need of shoppers who come downtown? If so, how does that translate into the number of hourly parking spaces to be provided?
- Is the garage being built primarily to fulfill the needs of employees of downtown businesses? If so, how does that translate into the number of weekly and monthly parking spaces to be provided?

**INFRASTRUCTURE:**

- Who will pay for the upkeep of the garage?
- Who will manage the garage?
- Who will manage the plaza?
- Will there be evening security in the garage? What are the estimated costs?
- What are projected utility bills: lighting, ventilation, emergency phones, etc?
- Does the current physical budget have new/ proposed road improvements lined out?
- What will the cost per homeowner average/ tax year?
- Where will delivery trucks make deliveries?
- Where will garbage and recycle facilities be located?
- What offsite traffic improvements, if any, are anticipated? What is their anticipated cost? Who pays for these improvements?
- Will modifications or improvements be needed to the sewer system due to the size of this project?
- Will there be a significant impact due to other utilities needing to upgrade infrastructure to service this project?

**All questions below deal with the current surface parking lot at the corner of Tulane and Spring Streets.**

- Is a building planned to replace this parking lot?
- Will there be any parking on this site at all (under the building or building over surface parking)?
- Where will these current parking spaces be replaced?
- Who will pay to build this building?
- Who will own this building?
- Will the building hold residential and retail?
- How many residential units of what size will be in this building?
- How much retail in this building?
- Where will the residential unit occupants park?
- Where will the retail employees park?
- Will the owners of this building pay taxes on the building?
- If not, detail the financial arrangements that will exist?
- Will this building meet current zoning ordinances?
- Will any variances be needed?
- If so, please list and detail them
- How many residential vehicles will this building attract (broken down by residents and visitors)?
- How many vehicles will the retail attract (broken down by employees and customers)?
- Will offsite traffic improvements be required for this building?

**REVENUES:**

- What are the assumed parking rates in the proposed garage at this time?
- Will the garage, at these assumed rates, make enough money to pay for its operating costs and enough to pay the debt service on the garage?
- Will the garage revenue, in addition to paying the two items above, make enough to also replace the current revenue from the surface parking that used to be on this site?
- What is the revenue from the current surface parking on this site?
- Assume a more modest plan involving only a single floor parking deck that was built above the surface parking on this site.
- Assumed it covered the entire site except for the area above the open space plaza.
- How many spaces would it provide? What would it cost to build?
- Will there be a lease in place between the Borough and the owner of the residential/ mixed use building for the rights to use the Borough owned ground it stands on?
- What are the assumed yearly revenues from this "ground lease"?
- Will the building owner pay taxes on the residential/mixed use building? What are the expected taxes broken into Borough/County/ School/Open Space? If not, will there be another type of financial arrangement in place to compensate the Borough for the use of Borough property?
- What would this assumed payment be?
- If the owner is not paying taxes, is it true the rest of the tax base is absorbing the County/ School/Open Space tax burden for this building?

**PARKING:**

- How many parking spaces will be in the proposed garage?
- What type of parking spaces will be provided in the proposed garage? Hourly, daily, overnight, monthly?
- What are the assumed parking rates in the proposed garage at this time for each of the different types of parking spaces?
- How many parking spaces are needed for library users, on average, at any one given time during the day?
- How many parking spaces will be needed for the retail component of this proposed project?
- Is there still an agreement in place to provide a guaranteed number of spaces for Library users in the proposed garage?
- How many parking spaces are needed to address the needs of the proposed residential units?

**TRAFFIC:**

- How many vehicles are expected with the number of proposed residential units? Please break this down by residents of the units and visitors.
- How many vehicles are expected with the amount of retail space being provided? Please break this down by employees and shoppers.
- How many more vehicles are expected in the downtown, over what is there now, due to the perceived increased parking potential?

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## Library to Continue "Unquiet Fridays" Series

Princeton Public Library's "Unquiet Fridays" series will continue on Friday, September 27 with a 7:30 performance by Four Shillings Short, a Celtic music duo.

The California-based pair mixes traditional Celtic and American folk music with Indian raga, jazz, and other world music to form a diverse sound. With four albums to their credit and year-round touring that takes them to national folk venues, Four Shillings Short have found an audience for their music. "The people who come to see us are thirsty for variety," said Christy Martin, who sings and plays hammered dulcimer, mandolin, sitar, and bodhran. She is joined by

Aodh Og O'Tuama, who is featured on tin whistle, doumbek, spoons, gemshorn, and vocals.

Prior to the show, the musical duo will present a special workshop for children on Friday, September 27 at 4 in the library's meeting room. For registration, call 924-9529, ext. 240.

Princeton Public Library is temporarily located in the Princeton Shopping Center at 301 North Harrison Street. For information, call 924-9529 or visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

## Downtown Plan Topic Of PCDO Meeting

On Sunday evening, September 29, the Princeton Community Democratic Organization (PCDO) will sponsor a presentation by Princeton Borough Mayor Marvin Reed on the downtown plan. It will begin at 7:30 and will be held in Princeton Borough Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

## Arts Council Seeking Poetry Slam Entries

The Arts Council of Princeton will host its fifth regional poetry slam on Friday, September 27 at 7:30.

To be hosted by guest slam-master Michael Brown, the event will award prizes to those competitors with the highest scores as determined by a panel of judges selected at random from the audience.

As in previous slams, there will be two divisions: an "Open Division" for young people and newcomers, for which no experience is required; and a "Master Division," for seasoned poetry slammers. There is no age limit for participants in either division.

Anyone interested in securing a spot must reserve a place in advance. To make a reservation, contact Ellen Foos at 430-0829.

The Arts Council of Princeton is located in the Paul Robeson Building at 102 Witherspoon Street. For more information, call 924-8777 or visit [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org).

## Medical Center Auxiliary To Hold Rummage Sale

The Auxiliary of The Medical Center at Princeton will hold its annual White Elephant Rummage Sale on October 5 from 9 to 4, and October 6 from 10 to 3, at Herrontown Road off Route 206 (behind Hesco Lighting).

All proceeds from the rummage sale will benefit the emergency department of The Medical Center.

Donations of antiques, household items, summer and winter clothing, shoes and more will be accepted for sale. Items that are clean and in good condition can be dropped off at the warehouse at Princeton House, 905 Herrontown Road. Items may be donated on Saturday, September 28 from 9 to noon.

Call the Auxiliary office at 497-4069 for information.

## Annual Jazz Feast Set for Saturday

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# Teachers' Union Ratifies Contract; School Board Expected to Approve

"The compensation for the duty is satisfactory," said Ms. Thompson, who added that the School Board withdrew its demand for a \$500 insurance deductible for individuals and a \$1,000 deductible for families.

"I am particularly pleased that we came to an agreement with respect to the issue of duty," said Ms. Bialek. "Health insurance will continue to be a big concern for us as it is for everybody else."

The district's teachers went to their respective classrooms and schools on the morning of Tuesday, September 3. Later that day, however, the union's membership voted overwhelmingly to authorize its leadership to enact a job action.

Last Wednesday, the local teachers' union ratified the temporary contract that was to the dispute by PERC, Rick Gwin, brought the leadership and the negotiating team together to meet face-to-face. "We got together and worked out the last little bit we needed," said Ms. Bialek.

After the settlement was finally reached, classes resumed on Friday, September 6.

"We didn't miss a beat," said Ms. Thompson, an English teacher at Princeton High School. "Everything went back into place; school started up smoothly here, and that was the experience throughout the district."

—David McNutt

The members of the Princeton Regional Board of Education were scheduled to meet on Tuesday night and were expected to ratify the contract as well. The full terms of the contract cannot be revealed until both parties have ratified the settlement.

"Overall, this is a fair settlement for both sides," said Charlotte Bialek, president of the School Board, when the temporary contract ended the teachers' union strike.

Reached at a time when the district is preparing to enter the construction phase of its multi-year, \$81.3 million renovation project at each of its six schools, the settlement includes a proposed three-year contract with a salary increase for the teachers, a minimal increase in insurance co-pays, and compensation for duties to be performed outside the classroom by the teachers.

Both sides confirmed that the settlement includes an increase in the teachers' salary around the state average of 4.5 to 4.7 percent.

Though still awaiting a ruling by the Public Employment Relations Committee (PERC) concerning the legality of language in a previously negotiated contract regarding the prerogative of principals to assign duties to teachers outside the classroom, the sides tentatively agreed that teachers will be compensated for those duties.

Near the end of the negotiations, the mediator assigned to the dispute by PERC, Rick Gwin, brought the leadership and the negotiating team together to meet face-to-face. "We got together and worked out the last little bit we needed," said Ms. Bialek.

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## Conference on Islam Scheduled at University

Princeton University will bring together scholars, policymakers and journalists from across the Islamic world for a major conference on diversity in Islamic societies Friday, September 27 and Saturday, 28.

Participants at the conference, "Understanding and Responding to the Islamic World after 9/11," will explore the diversity of views across Islamic societies regarding the role of democracy in North Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia; responses to globalization; and future efforts to fight terrorism. The conference will also be concerned with Western—and specifically American—responses to diversity in the Muslim world.

"The terrorist acts of September 11 have made it vitally important to understand much better than we do now the full range of debates and opinions within the Muslim world," said Jeffrey Herbst, professor of politics and international affairs, who is organizing the conference.

All conference events are free and open to the public, and will be held in 50 McCosh Hall on the campus.

The conference begins Friday at 9:15 with opening remarks, followed by five panels continuing through Saturday. For more information, call 258-3601.

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## Princeton Man Arrested in Connection With Gunshots

A 22-year-old Red Oak Row man has been arrested and charged with two counts of aggravated assault, unlawful possession of a weapon, and possession of a weapon for unlawful purposes.

On September 21 at 9:40 p.m., police responded to multiple 911 calls reporting gunshots fired in the area of Red Oak Row. Upon arrival, police located two suspects in the immediate area and were able to determine that the shots fired had stemmed from a fight that had occurred in the street just prior to the police being summoned.

The victim in the incident stated that William C. Merrick had struck him in the face with a glass bottle and then pointed a pistol at him. After the initial fight had ended, Mr. Merrick allegedly fired two shots at the victim, missing with each round. Immediately after the shooting and prior to the arrival of the police, Mr. Merrick allegedly hid the weapon in a residential area near Red Oak Row.

Police, Fire and EMS workers searched the area and police located the pistol in some shrubs near an apartment on Red Oak Row.

Six vehicles on Randall Road, two vehicles on Monroe Road, and one vehicle on Grover Avenue were entered sometime between the evening of September 21 and the morning of September 22. Small amounts of cash and some personal items worth \$90 were stolen.

A 39-year-old Hillside Avenue man has been charged with aggravated assault on a police officer and resisting arrest. On September 17, at 2:32 p.m., police responded to a complaint of loud music at a residence on Hillside Avenue. While Officer Anthony Pacillo was speaking with Jorge M. Retana, Officer Pacillo was pushed in the chest.

A fight ensued and Mr. Retana ran away. Officer Pacillo chased after Mr. Retana, tackled him, and subsequently arrested him. Both men were treated at The Medical Center and released. Officer Pacillo was treated for a hand injury, and Mr. Retana was treated for a laceration of the lip.

A 29-year-old Trenton man was the victim of assault on September 22 at 10:30 a.m. on University Place. Police said the person accused in the incident, Loides Torres, also of Trenton, assaulted the victim and subsequently hindered her own apprehension by providing false information to a police officer conducting an investigation.

The accused allegedly struck the victim on the face with her hand. The accused was also wanted on \$4,275 in warrants from Trenton and Lawrence Municipal Courts. She was turned over to Trenton Police.

A 59-year-old East Stanworth Drive woman was the victim of harassment on September 21 at 7 p.m. Police said someone made a phone call to the victim and stated that they were going to send anthrax to her.

Princeton Borough Police made seven arrests for DWI last week. On September 18 at 2:35 a.m., Martin Onofre-Garcia, 30, of Rocky Hill, was stopped for erratic driving on Nassau Street. The accused was arrested when police determined that he had operated his vehicle without a valid drivers license and while being under the influence of alcohol.

On September 20, at 2:50 a.m., William A. Van Jones, 18, of Princeton Junction, was stopped on Linden Lane for a vehicle equipment violation. He was arrested when it was determined that he had operated his vehicle while being under the influence of alcohol while being under the age of 21.

On September 21, at 1:08 a.m., Tomer Yabrov, 24, of Roper Street, was stopped on University Place for failure to keep right and improper turn.

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## Local Fare

from Princeton's kitchens

### Fusilli with Zucchini & Tomato/Red Pepper Garnish

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- 1 cup coarsely chopped cherry or grape tomatoes
- 1 cup diced sweet red bell pepper
- Olive oil
- Salt & freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tbsps minced, flat, Italian parsley leaves
- 2 tbsps fresh basil
- cut into very thin strips (chiffonade)
- 2 medium zucchini
- cut in half lengthwise and thinly sliced
- 1/2 medium onion, diced
- 1 lb curly, hollow pasta, or medium shells, or orecchiette
- Modest chunk of Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese



Combine tomatoes and red pepper in small bowl and season to taste with olive oil, salt, pepper and 1 tablespoon each of parsley and basil. Set aside.

Bring large pot with 4 quarts (1 gallon) water with 1 tablespoon salt to boil over high heat. Cook pasta 10 to 12 minutes, according to package directions, until *al dente*, setting aside 1 ladleful cooking water, and drain in colander set in sink.

Meanwhile, in large nonstick skillet or even 2 skillets, sauté zucchini in small amount olive oil until golden brown on both sides. Remove zucchini to separate bowl. In same skillet, cook onion in small amount of olive oil until translucent — not brown. Add zucchini back into skillet and ladleful of pasta cooking water, remaining parsley and basil. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Remove from heat.

Fold drained pasta into zucchini sauce. Portion immediately into four individual pasta serving bowls. Spoon a quarter of the tomato-red pepper mixture into the center of each serving. Grate some cheese onto each serving, or pass a chunk of the cheese in a bowl accompanied by a small grater, so that each person can grate their own. Serves 4.

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ing. He was charged with DWI. Also on September 21, at 2:14 a.m., Michael Calcagni, 23, of Robbinsville, was stopped for improper turning and failure to keep right. He was charged with DWI.

On September 22, at 12:58 a.m., Danny Reinberg, 48, of Warren, was stopped on Stockton Street for driving erratically. He was charged with DWI. On the same date at 2:11 a.m., John G. Smith, 35, of Mandon Court, was stopped on Nassau Street for failure to keep right.

He was charged with DWI. Later in the morning, at 4:16 a.m., Thomas Crenshaw, 23, a Princeton University student, was stopped on Nassau Street for failure to stop for a blinking red light. He was charged with DWI.

Two Lawrenceville residents were charged with driving while intoxicated and refusal to submit to the taking of breath samples. Police said Robert J. Mumby was stopped on Stockton Street on September 19, at 1:36 a.m. for driving an unregistered vehicle. Later in the morning, at 2:09 a.m., Mary P. McCulloch, 33, was stopped on Nassau Street for driving erratically.

An 18-year-old male Princeton University student was charged with being a minor in possession of alcoholic beverages. Police said Jonathan E. Drummond of 1942 Hall, was found walking on Prospect Avenue with a cup of beer in his possession on September 20 at 1:48 a.m.

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### Sierra Club Asks Princeton University To Consider Effects of Deforestation

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

The following letter was addressed to Shirley M. Tilghman, President, Princeton University

The Central Jersey Group of the Sierra Club's New Jersey Chapter wishes to express its disappointment and concern with Princeton University's hurried summer decision to fell over 1,000 trees on its Alexander Street and West Drive property at the Lawrence apartment project. It appears that this ecologically valuable woodland and some recommended

alternatives to destroying the trees were given very low or no priority in this decision.

The proximity of the site to the Rogers Wildlife Refuge, the Institute Woods and the Stony Brook adds environmental value to the site as part of Princeton's greenway. The destruction of over 1,000 trees will have significant impacts: the loss of the extensive root system will increase stormwater runoff and decrease water table recharge, and wildlife habitat will be lost. In addition, there will be a negative effect on air quality as well as increased heat and loss of windbreak protection which will diminish some of the energy value of the planned geothermal wells to heat the proposed apartments. Instead of a win/win situation we have a mixed scenario.

While it is within the law for the University to cut down 1,000 trees on its property, the University should be more sensitive to the effect of such an action not only on the environment, but on its reputation in the community.

The image of the University in recent years has become more one of self-interest above all other considerations. This

is especially true in other environmental cases such as the once "preferred alignment" of the Millstone Bypass. We look to the University to set a good example for others. This may sometimes mean altering plans or incurring somewhat higher costs to protect important community resources.

When the University proceeds, especially without ample time for public comment, it loses the trust and respect of the public. Sometimes the most powerful must be most careful in exercising power if they want to retain that public trust and respect.

We hope you will give serious consideration to altering the plans to destroy these woodlands.

LAURA LYNCH

Conservation Chair, Sierra Club New Jersey Chapter

### Public Forum Will Present Options For Roadways in Penns Neck Area

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

The future habitability of central New Jersey will depend on where and if new roadways are built between Lake Carnegie and Princeton Junction. The Penns Neck Area EIS process is now into the second year of preparing the Environmental Impact Statement for considering alternatives to what was formerly known as the Millstone Bypass. For example, what was once declared as "too expensive" is now a very realistic option: Route 1 in a cut under Washington Road, which will cross Route 1 at the present grade and have a bicycle path along Washington Road from Lake Carnegie to Princeton Junction.

A package of proposed mobility solutions for the Princeton Junction-Princeton corridors will be presented at a public forum on September 30 at the New Jersey Hospital Association Conference Center, 760 Alexander Road: Informal Review and Discussion 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Presentations at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; a videotape of the 11 a.m. presentation will be available throughout the day and evening for those unable to attend at 11 a.m. or 7 p.m.

Come see what the options are.

Further information is available at: [www.princetonol.com/groups/millstone/](http://www.princetonol.com/groups/millstone/) and <http://www.pennsneckareaeis.org>.

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CANDACE PRESTON, Prospect Avenue;  
DEAN RITTS, Hun Road

### Garage Complex Plans Are at Odds With Princeton Future's Principles

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

The following letter was addressed to Borough Council.

Last Wednesday night I stood up at the Princeton Future meeting, when they presented a list of conclusions to Borough Council for our downtown master plan. I asked how they could approve of a design of the new garage complex on Spring Street yet now espouse the principles and goals that they reached as conclusions.

Their first principle, to preserve the downtown neighborhoods to keep Princeton active and healthy, seemed empty. I asked if they would consider that most of the longtime merchants in that area now say that their businesses can't survive the parking dislocation that has been caused by the closure of the Park & Shop lot.

The second, that future subsequent growth should be all residential downtown, I criticized because it seemed based on the false notion that this would increase the tax base like commercial ratables would do. I cited an official study of "Effects of New Residential Development on School Population in West Windsor", to show that the extra school kids that it produces erases the benefit of the taxes per unit when there is one tuition cost per child from every three units. It simply moves the debt to a different part of our tax bill from local tax to school tax.

When I got to their idea of "human scale" that the community should keep to, I was reminded of all the people who walked the streets during the summer to get the petition, signed in all the neighborhoods by citizens against the big garage to keep future development "Princeton scale". (Unfortunately, Council denied this.) Invoking special redevelopment powers to make this massive complex design on that Borough block is not keeping things in what we consider to be human scale in Princeton even if it is one last big project.

I next cited Herb Hobler's survey of 10 per cent of the households saying that 71 per cent of the town rejects that design. Princeton Future rebutted by saying the survey was biased (but they seemed to be afraid of doing one of their own).

If all of this sounds like Princeton Future isn't listening well to any criticism or ideas from me or in the neighborhoods of the core areas, you may be right. I concluded long ago that Princeton Future seems not to be representing what neighbors actually think, but instead, what they want the people to think (they were welding consensus). Read their work "Listening to Each Other: The Downtown Core, The Downtown Neighborhoods", and you will see as in Zone 1 that they were talking to each other, what I call yessing 80 per cent of the time.

Borough Council should not interpret Princeton Future's findings as "the will of the people."

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# Princeton Should Consider What Was Learned From the Recent Strike by District Teachers

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Should we all be grateful that the Board of Education and the PREA have reached a tentative agreement and the Princeton school year can commence with only one day of school sacrificed? Yes and no. Yes, because the negotiations could have dragged on longer, negatively impacting the school year. No, because we did not get involved in the negotiations process earlier in a constructive manner.

In reading numerous editorials in local papers and online sites regarding the Board-teacher contract negotiations, I considered adding my opinion to the cacophony of voices battling for supremacy. However, I decided that yet another opinion is not what Princeton needs. Rather than blaming Board members or the PREA, what Princetonians need is to focus on what Princeton is known for—learning. I hope that this letter can start the process of improving the contract renewal process by considering what we have learned from this unfortunate situation.

How can we attempt to avoid repeating the last few weeks in the Septembers to come? Three areas of the contract renewal process which require our attention are the negotiating schedule, involvement of the community and dissemination of accurate information to the community.

First, rather than blaming the Board or our teachers for striking and delaying negotiations, we must start negotiations earlier and focus on setting an aggressive schedule with target dates for reports on the state of the negotiations. Too much critical negotiating time slipped away during the twelve months preceding the beginning of the 2002-2003 school year. The level of intensity in negotiations should be increased well in advance of our children buying their final school supplies. Princetonians should work proactively to create a culture and an expectation of final (all night if necessary) negotiations/mediation months before September.

Second, the Princeton community must get involved in the process in a meaningful fashion and be proactive. We must get involved earlier in the process, from setting the negotiating schedule to attending Board meetings to reviewing progress. The community input is without value, however, unless it is well informed on the issues.

Accordingly, a critical component of improving the contract renewal process must involve the timely dissemination of accurate information regarding the issues confronting the negotiations. The lack of accurate information was painfully evident during the last few weeks. When asked what the major issues were regarding the negotiations, many Princetonians I spoke with were unable to tell me, or worse, told me things that were patently incorrect. I was astounded with all the fervent arguments of residents that I read on a newspaper's website based on false information. An argument that I saw numerous times questioned, "what can these teachers possibly want when they are already the highest paid teachers in New Jersey?" Would that writer have felt the same passion if he or she knew this statement was not close to the truth?

For an example of a better process (although not perfect), one need only recall the School District construction project. That project included the involvement, focus and energy of the Board, teachers and the Princeton community.

I challenge the Princeton community to employ what we have learned from our experience this last year so that we are not doomed to repeat it.

MICHAEL DAHL  
Snowden Lane

# Princeton Future Represents Only A Fraction of Borough Residents

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

The following letter was addressed to Borough Council.

Council and Princetonians, you might be receiving disinformation. Princeton Future claims they are the voice of the people through their neighborhood zone meetings. However, the actual number of people (taken from Princeton Future's own report on file at the Library) shows a total of 281 individuals (some went to more than one meeting and are not double counted) attended these zone meetings.

Of those 281 individuals, 74 are from the township, 58 could not be identified, and 149 were Borough residents. Of the 149 Borough residents who attended zone meetings, 33 are members of Princeton Future, Council, local government (i.e. Planning Board, Historic Preservation, etc.), Princeton University officials, and the press. If you subtract these 33 from 149, that leaves 116 Borough residents who attended Zone meetings.

Interestingly, of those 116 Borough residents, 46 signed the Petition to stop massive development and redesign Princeton scale. Subtract these 46 petitioners and you are left

with a net of 70 Borough attendees who may or may not support Princeton Future.

In all 626 registered Borough voters signed the petition that was presented to Council (even some Princeton Future members who are listed on PF publications).

Council, your Borough petitioners' voices, now 700+ strong, should mean more to you than Princeton Future voices of 70.

Petition signers are bipartisan: an early count showed Democrats 253, Republicans 142 and Unaffiliated 210.

TINA CLEMENT  
Vandeventer Avenue

# Rush Holt's Science Background Makes Him an Asset to Congress

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

In the upcoming election on November 5, we need to return to Congress our representative, Rush Holt. He has worked tirelessly for the things we believe in, and, in addition, he is a scientist and educator who is an important asset to the Congress. There are extremely few scientists in Congress, and those who are there are often consulted by other members for their technical knowledge.

Further, Rush Holt worked, earlier in his career, as an arms-control expert in the U.S. State Department. His experience may prove to be very valuable in dealing with the current threats of high-tech terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, not to mention decisions on a national missile defense.

Rep. Holt's positions on domestic issues are very much in agreement with those of the citizens of central New Jersey. He receives the highest ratings from leading organizations for human rights and environmental protection. He has achieved a solid record working for improvement in education, fair and equitable health care, economic growth, and fiscal responsibility.

I worked with Rush Holt when he was a member of the Princeton University Plasma Physics Laboratory. I know him to be a man of high integrity and dedication.

In this difficult and dangerous time, we need a knowledgeable, experienced, and dedicated congressman. We need to re-elect Congressman Rush Holt.

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## Area Bus Rapid Transit System Could Stop at Penns Neck, Canal

To the Editor of Town Topics:

I find the idea of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system for the Princeton area interesting. I do object to use of the acronym 'BRT', since that acronym belongs to the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system. The Brooklyn system was developed before the City of Brooklyn merged with New York City in 1898.

The BRT system continued under that name until they built tracks into Manhattan and changed their name to Brooklyn Manhattan Transit (BMT). The BMT remained a private company until the New York City government acquired their assets (and those of the Interboro Rapid Transit Company (IRT)) in the late 1930s and subway service became a municipal monopoly.

Since the Princeton system is planning a possible station at Route 1, I should mention that I saw a schedule from around 1867 which showed two stations between Princeton and Princeton Junction. One was Penns Neck. I once asked a conductor on the Dinky about it and he said that Penns Neck is still a time-point on the internal schedule. He said that until the new rail bridge over Route 1 was built as part of the Alexander Road project there were still some remains of the station on the Junction side of Route 1.

My guess is that the other station was at the canal since an earlier railroad had run along the canal and also the turning basin area was essentially a small separate village. At that time the Princeton station was by Nassau Street, so the canal would be a logical location for a station between Princeton and Penns Neck.

KEN SCHWEBER  
Shady Brook Lane

## Rush Holt's Service on PRSF Board Shows His Commitment to Education

To the Editor of Town Topics:

I write to express my support for Congressman Rush Holt's re-election to Congress. I feel that Rep. Holt truly represents the people of central New Jersey and their best interests.

For example, as a leader on the House Education Committee, Rep. Holt has fought for smaller classes, qualified, well-trained teachers, and modern school buildings. He co-sponsored legislation to increase school construction funding by \$7.2 billion over the next ten years and to hire 100,000 new teachers.

Rep. Holt has further shown his commitment to the education of all of our children by serving on the Advisory Board of the Princeton Regional Scholarship Foundation (PRSF). PRSF is a not-for-profit organization that grants secondary school scholarships to graduating Princeton High School seniors based entirely on financial need. By serving in this capacity, Rep. Holt takes the time to keep in touch with his constituents and the issues they care about.

Rush Holt is a thinking, caring person, and we need him representing us in Congress.

CAROL L. GOLDEN  
Castle Howard Court

## Public Is Not Sufficiently Informed About Downtown Project's Cost

To the Editor of Town Topics:

If we build a house we get the best cost estimates in mind before construction begins. If a community develops its downtown area doesn't the same precaution hold true?

The Princeton public seems totally uninformed about accurate costs to accomplish what the Borough Council is planning to build in downtown Princeton. Maybe such cost estimates exist and, if so, why haven't we heard about them? If they don't exist, however, we could be in serious trouble.

TOM GEORGE  
Greenhouse Drive

## New Township Hall Offers Citizens Improved Facilities for Voting

To the Editor of Town Topics:

Many thanks to the Mayor of Princeton Township, Phyllis Marchand, for inviting all people of the community to the new Township hall. I know you will put your words into action.

From now on the citizens of voting Districts 10 and 14 have an appropriate location to cast their votes. They finally can get out of the truck bay of the fire house, which was danger to voters and a great discomfort for the Election Board Members. I hope that on November 5, 2002 we can assemble in the Assembly Room of the new Municipal Complex to do our civic duty.

We should remember the invitation on election day and be there.

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## Princeton Future and Borough Plans Are Based on Years of Study, Input

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

We are writing this letter to inform and remind the residents of Princeton of the great amount of thinking that has been directed toward the planning of the center of Princeton Borough, and of the many opportunities afforded to members of the public to contribute input.

As far back as the late '60s and '70s, noted planners and architects such as Charles Agle and Robert Venturi made studies of our downtown. Changes such as mixed use and five-story buildings occurred. However subsequent projects tended to proceed by variance rather than in accordance with an overall plan. There was no blueprint for the future.

Wanting to look into the future without being constrained by the present, Mayor Marvin Reed asked Borough resident Anton Nelessen, Professor of Planning at Rutgers University (and one of the writers of this letter), to gather ideas from his University perspective. Professor Nelessen gave his graduate students in the urban planning class an assignment to plan the ideal center Princeton area. Several of the plans were presented at a public meeting in the spring of 1998. These plans contained many of the elements that are present in today's tentative layouts for this area.

A few months after Prof. Nelessen's presentation, the Princeton Business Association Division of the Princeton Chamber of Commerce retained A. Nelessen & Associates to make a study of a slightly larger downtown area. This study used a technique known as "visual preference" wherein pictures are taken of the area and computer images of possible new uses/buildings/parks/landscapes are added to and even superimposed on the pictures of the actual

existing buildings and streets. A related questionnaire asked the viewers to comment favorably or unfavorably on each scene that was shown.

The most interesting finding that came out of the presentations, attended by about 400 persons, was that the viewers would not object to change in the downtown, including the development of the two parking lots, as long as changes were "in scale" and designed attractively. This study and its results were presented at Princeton Borough Hall at the invitation of Borough Council.

Following this study, Princeton Future was formed. Its founders included architects, planners, economists and representatives from various neighborhoods, companies, professionals and Princeton University. The Borough and Township governing bodies and planning boards were invited to participate—or at least keep informed of its activities.

In 2000, 2001, and 2002, Princeton Future worked (and is still working) on a blueprint for Princeton. It divided the Borough into five zones. Public meetings have been held to discuss ideas for the future of each zone. Public input has been summarized and put in visual form for public and government review.

Solutions to the perennial parking problem were aired. Numerous parking and traffic studies have highlighted the lack of parking—actual, not perceived. Most planners and citizens recommend and desire adequate and convenient parking, even if on multi-levels. Such garages are accepted by the public in almost every major town and city.

The presentation by Borough Council's consultant on September 17 and the presentation by Princeton Future on September 18 showed a great deal of creativity for the future of our downtown—truly sensitive blueprints that can be followed for years to come.

Now that definite plans are being considered, even though not final, we urge the public to give our governing body and its planners and consultants its enthusiastic support. Let us remember the effort spent to get this far in the planning process.

Not everyone can be satisfied and honest dissent is important. However, there must be an end to debates and arguments and meetings. Let us all back Borough Council's resolve to complete our downtown development so we all can enjoy the new Public Library, the parking arrangements, the stores and the housing of various types at the same time. Otherwise, our downtown will be in a state of confusion for years to come.

A.C. REEVES HICKS  
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## African-American History Articles Contribute to Community Education

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

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# Design of Complex on Park & Shop Lot Near Completion

The spotlight at last Tuesday night's Borough Council meeting remained on the proposed downtown redevelopment complex, but it shifted away from the garage toward a focus on the park/plaza and Building A, the residential/retail building that will face Witherspoon Street.

The proposed 90x90 foot park/plaza will be bounded by the new public library on the north, Building A on the east, Spring Street on the south, and Witherspoon Street on the west. As designed by LDR International, a part of the Nassau HKT development team, it will be composed largely of brick

and bluestone paving dotted with a canopy of trees set in a grid pattern. The 12 trees will probably be honeylocusts, which provide lightly dappled shade. The trees will be set in circular planters.

### Decorative Fence

On the Spring Street side will be an 11-foot-wide steel and concrete trellis structure with climbing plants. A pergola and decorative fence with climbing plants will continue along a walkway leading to Spring Street. Tables, benches, and trash receptacles will be set beneath the trellis structure, and bull market carts, similar to those at Quincy Market in Boston, will

be located between the trellis and the paved plaza. A low evergreen hedge with sizeable planters on each end will front Witherspoon Street.

Council was told that when the park/plaza is used for community or library events it could hold up to 200 people gathered on a casual basis.

"This is clearly a pedestrian-friendly design, but a lot of thought has to be given to bus and bike riders," said Hawthorne Avenue resident Phyllis Teitelbaum. A Witherspoon Street bus stop is currently shown on the south corner of the new library, but the actual site of the bus stop still remains to

be determined.

The discussion then turned to Building A, which will contain 24 apartments on four floors above a ground floor of retail. A restaurant is also a possibility on this floor. The apartments would be one and two bedrooms in size, and the building will feature balconies and metal awnings on the western elevation facing the park/plaza. The top floor will be scaled back, and a row of

trees will front the apartment windows.

Architect Robert Geddes, a member of the Borough's Design Review Committee, said the Nassau HKT design team had been extraordinarily responsive to suggestions, and that it was also a leader in getting the team to see things. "They are well on their way to doing something remarkable," he said.

Council has already approved the design of the proposed 500-space garage, although members of the gov-

erning body continue to reiterate that the redevelopment project itself will not be constructed without a vote to do so.

### Apartment House

In addition to the proposed garage, retail/residential building, and park/plaza on the north side of Spring Street, the redevelopment project also includes an apartment house with a

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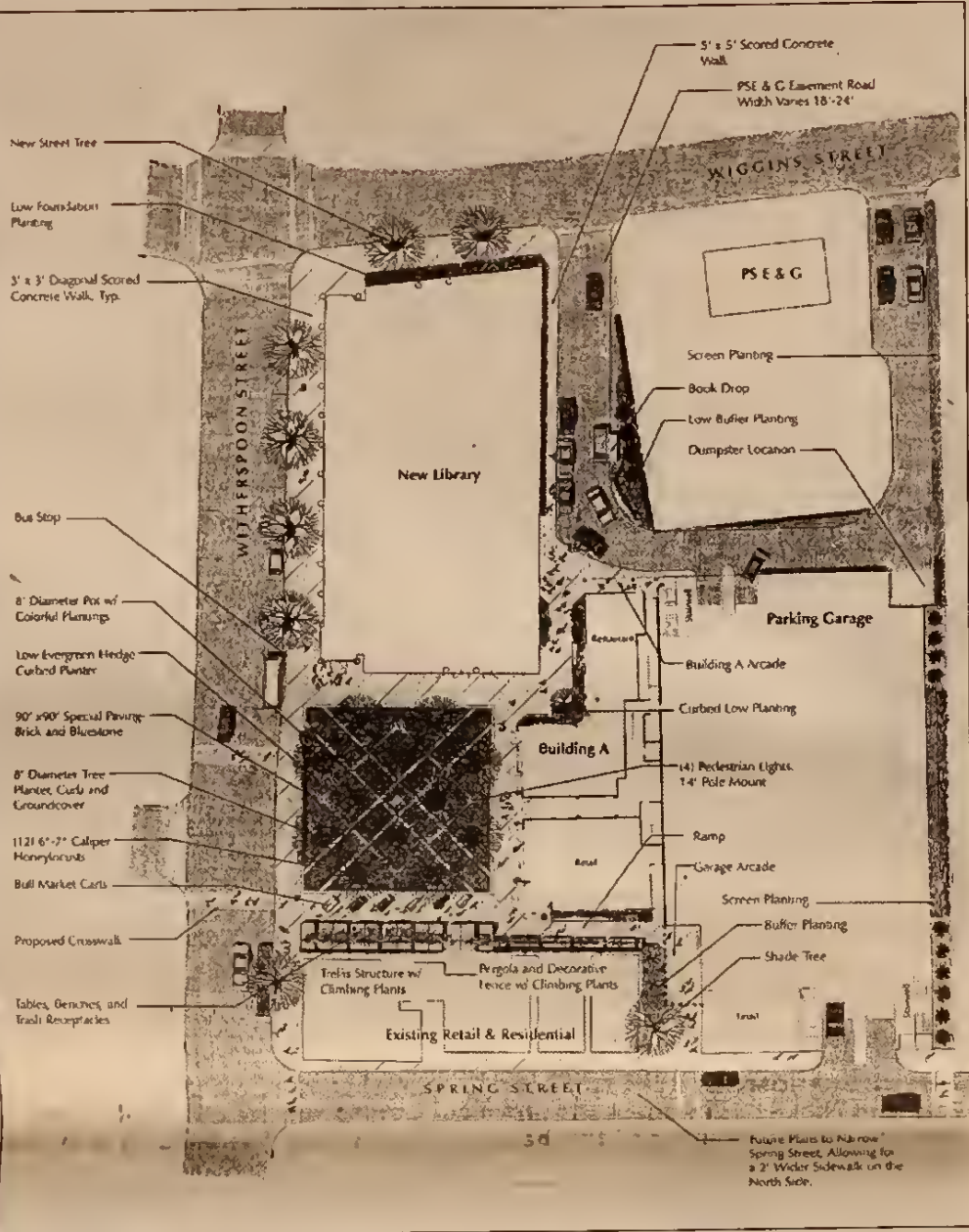
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**PARK/PLAZA PLANS:** Shown to the public for the first time last Tuesday night, this schematic design shows a 90x90 foot park plaza to the south of the new public library. It will be planted with 12 trees and will feature tables, chairs and benches beneath a high steel and concrete trellis.

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**APPROVED DESIGN:** This rendering of the Spring Street facade of the proposed 500-space garage includes half-louver shutters on all windows that are intended to block the sight of cars and headlights. Colorful awnings are planned for the street-level shops and banners will descend from the upper floors. Since this rendering was prepared, however, it was discovered that large underground storm sewers will prevent the planting of street trees.



**THE VIEW FROM WITHERSPOON STREET:** The planned building to be constructed on the former Park and Shop lot, in front of the proposed garage, will have street-level retail and restaurant space and four stories of one- and two-bedroom apartments. The building sketched on the left is the new library.

## Complex

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ground-floor food market on the south side of the street, on the current metered lot. This would contain about 53 apartments, for a total of approximately 77 in the two buildings. Of these, some 11 will be affordable.

One of the major unanswered questions is the cost

of the project. At the meeting last Tuesday night, Nassau HKT's Bob Powell said that he will have the first draft of the guaranteed maximum price in time for the October 1 Borough Council meeting.

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Nicole Lynn Wilkins and Jeffrey R. Bergman

**Weddings****Wilkins-Bergman.**

Nicole Lynn Wilkins, daughter of Joan Ducharme of San Diego, Calif. and the late Troy Wilkins Jr., to Jeffrey R. Bergman, son of Robert Bergman of Princeton and Wilhelmina Wiland of New York City. Nicholas P. Petre-dis Esq. performed the September 7 ceremony in La Jolla, Calif.

The bride, 30, graduated from the University of California at San Diego. She is the chief of protocol for the United States Mission to the

United Nations. She is pursuing a masters in international affairs at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

The groom, 40, graduated from Princeton High School and Vassar College. He received a masters in business administration from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. He is a chartered financial analyst employed by Milton Partners, a hedge fund located in Greenwich, Conn.

The couple reside in Greenwich, Conn.



Julia Katz and Mark Schonfeld

**Katz-Schonfeld.** Julia Dinah Katz, daughter of Eileen A. Katz of Lawrenceville and Joseph W. Katz of Princeton, to Mark Korris Schonfeld, son of Jeanette K. Schonfeld of Amherst, N.Y., and the late Seymour A. Schonfeld. Rabbi Allen Block performed the September 22 ceremony at the New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, N.Y.

The bride is a graduate of Princeton Day School, Yale University, and the New York University School of Medicine. She completed a residency in internal medicine at New York Hospital-Cornell University Medical Center, and a residency in ophthalmology and a fellowship in

cataract and refractive surgery at the Manhattan Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital. She is an ophthalmologist with her own practice in New York City specializing in cataract and refractive surgery.

The groom graduated from the University of Rochester and Harvard Law School. He served as a law clerk to Judge Ellsworth Van Graafeiland on the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He is associate regional director of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. He co-heads the enforcement division of the commission's northeast regional office in New York City.

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Lisa Jayne Bradley and Christopher Whitney Johnson

### Engagements

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Ms. Bradley, 24, attended Franklin Senior High School. She graduated from James Madison University with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a double

major in accounting and finance. She is employed as a financial auditor with Ernst & Young.

Mr. Johnson, 27, attended Princeton High School and received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from University of Richmond. He is employed as a consultant with KPMG Consulting.

An October 12 wedding in Glyndon, Md. is planned.



Jeannne Elizabeth Power and Edward P. Galli

### Weddings

**Power-Galli.** Jeannne Elizabeth Power, daughter of Richard and Barbara Power of Princeton, to Edward P. Galli of Freehold. A June 2 wedding was held at Holly Hedge Estates in Pennsylvania.

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Both the bride and groom are employed by Merrill Lynch.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to the Caribbean. They will reside in Freehold with the groom's three children.

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Alissa Arshalous Chackerian, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Chackerian Jr. of Los Altos, Calif., to Rodrigo Storari Philander, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. George Philander of Princeton. The Rev. C. George Fitzgerald performed the September 1 ceremony at Stanford University Memorial Church in Palo Alto, Calif.

The bride, 28, is a graduate of Stanford University. She is a doctoral candidate in immunology at Harvard University, where she is researching tuberculosis. She will keep her maiden name.

The groom, 30, is a 1990 graduate of Princeton Day School and a graduate of Stanford University. He is the founder and president of Snapdragon Software, Inc., a Boston-based software company that designs and markets databases and internet business software.

The couple met in 1995 when both were members of the string section of the Stanford Symphony Orchestra.



Alissa Chackerian and Rodrigo Philander



Rekha Nigam and Larry McKinney

### Nigam-McKinney.

Rekha Nigam, daughter of Elaine and Raj Nigam of Pennington, to Larry McKinney, son of Jean and John McKinney of Dedham, Mass. The Rev. Christine Reed performed the June 29 ceremony at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Spain. They reside in Atlanta, Ga.

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## Valley Road

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Valley Road site to see what the best use of the building would be for the general public."

Currently, Corner House — a non-profit counseling agency for adolescents, young adults and their families — and the Township's Affordable Housing Office still occupy the Valley Road Building. According to Robert Kiser, the Township Engineer, and Mr. Pascale, the Township has long-term plans to move both entities into the municipal complex.

Mr. Pascale indicated that

the empty Valley Road space could be used for other public programs such as additional space for Corner House, the Cable TV Office, and senior programs from the Suzanne Patterson Center, which is currently being renovated.

The School Board, however, has its own needs for space, with the multi-year, \$81.3 million renovation project set to begin shortly at each of the district's six schools.

"We have an enormous need for the space on that side of the building," said Superintendent Claire Sheff Kohn, who stated that the

Valley Road Building could be used by athletic programs, additions to the district's staff, and the Multicultural Day Care Center.

According to Victoria Bergman, chair of the Princeton Regional Planning Board, any initiatives to rezone the land must come through either a public hearing process that would alter the Master Plan or requests from Township Committee to review local ordinances.

"Valley Road will be on the Planning Board's horizon," she said, "but not for a while. The issue has not been brought before us yet, and I do not anticipate that it is going to be resolved anytime soon."

The issue may be resolved later than local officials anticipate due to an apparent disparity in the interpretations of the ownership of the property.

According to Edwin Schmierer, Township attorney, the original deed to the property from 1924 indicates that the land is owned by the inhabitants of the Township of Princeton.

Township officials thereby interpret the deed to mean that the Township owns the building. "The Township could make an argument that

the property is owned by the Township's Inhabitants," said Mr. Schmierer.

The School Board, however, contends that the school district owns the property. Constructed in 1928, the

Valley Road Building has served school purposes for more than 70 years. The Township has occupied a portion of the building since the late 1970's.

"The Board has asserted its ownership of the property for more than 70 years," said David Carroll, the School Board's attorney. "We think that the Board's title is clear, and that any other claim to ownership is spurious."

According to Mr. Carroll, the Township has occupied its portion of the Valley Road Building under a lease agreement that will terminate in July 2003.

"The district is hopeful that an appropriate transition of property can take place," added Mr. Carroll, "and that the Township would permit earlier use of the space to accommodate the needs of the district."

Township officials expressed optimism that the situation could be resolved through a cooperative effort.

"The issue is not about who technically owns the building, but rather what is the best service to the public," said Mr. Schmierer. "I am confident that the Township's leadership will meet with School Board officials and work with the Planning Board to determine the best re-use of that property."

"We need to develop, in concert with all community organizations, a vision for the best use of the space," said Mr. Pascale.

In related news, Mr. Kiser indicated that the old police station will be razed within six weeks. The demolition project is scheduled to begin during the second week of October, and it is expected to be completed two weeks later in order to make room for parking lot space and a storm water detention basin.

Mr. Kiser additionally stated that Valley Road will be reopened at its intersection with Route 206 once the final phase of construction is completed, but new traffic patterns will be put in place.

Under the new patterns, motorists will be able to make a right turn from Valley Road onto Route 206 North or from Route 206 North onto Valley Road, but they will not be able to make any left turns at the intersection, either from Valley Road onto Route 206 South or from Route 206 South onto Valley Road.

According to Mr. Kiser, the prohibition of left turns at that intersection comes after a recommendation by the Township Traffic Safety Committee.

—David McNutt

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## Princeton Future

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changes would slow traffic and allow the construction of six new houses on the street's north side. "[Princeton would be] reclaiming this as a neighborhood street," said Mr. Brown.

Jim Floyd Sr., a Harris Road resident and former Princeton Township mayor, called the group's proposal for Paul Robeson Place "the best thing I've seen since there were houses on Jackson Street."

Princeton Future recommended actively preserving the "funky character" of areas such as the John-Witherspoon neighborhood and the east end of Nassau Street, in addition to maintaining the designated historic areas of the downtown. "That kind of character is beloved and that should be preserved too," said Mr. Brown.

"[Princeton] feels like a little town, but it is a regional center," said Mr. Brown. "Therefore you have to change it carefully."

Audience members expressed support for Princeton Future's overall plan, but some also questioned whether the planned garage and

mixed-use building on the Park & Shop Lot were consistent with the group's goal of preserving the scale of the downtown.

"You are not changing [the downtown] carefully," said Jim Firestone, a Vandeventer Avenue resident who has been a vocal opponent of the proposed parking garage. He mentioned the possibility of constructing a parking shelf over a surface parking lot, but Mr. Geddes said Princeton Future had rejected the idea for the downtown. "It is a cruel hoax to talk about a parking shelf," said the Princeton Future co-chair.

Mr. Firestone also asked, "Is residential essential?" He said the proposed residential units in a planned mixed-use building adjacent to the garage could result in a net decrease in the Borough's tax base if school costs for tenants' children outweighed the new tax revenue.

Herbert Tuchman, owner of P.J.'s Pancake House, said his business has declined since the close of the 180-space Park & Shop lot. He said local businesses and local jobs would suffer during the several year period until completion of the proposed parking garage.

"What you are going to

have here in two or three years is a strip mall with no parking," said Mr. Tuchman. "I'm making an impassioned plea that you should go through this a little more carefully."

Hank Siegel, owner of four Hamilton Jewelers stores, said his Princeton store has seen less foot traffic since the closing of the lot. "Three of my stores are not down. The one in Princeton is."

Mr. Brown said Princeton Future's master plan and the Park & Shop lot development promote local business that cater to residents rather than chain stores serving tourists.

Alexander Street resident Anne Neumann suggested that the mixed-use building proposed to screen the parking garage from the plaza include a food court provided by local vendors. She suggested a combination of fare from now-closed local restaurants — such as Downtown Deluxe and Griggs Imperial Restaurant — and new options, such as Guatemalan cuisine, to represent other elements of Princeton's diverse community.

Princeton Future also recommended expanding the number of linked mid-block walkways for pedestrians in the downtown area. "[Creating] a whole network of mid-block walkways," said Mr. Brown, would be "a great, unique, Princeton thing to do."

Western Way resident Enoch Durbin said Princeton Future could have considered additional options for making

the town more pedestrian-friendly, such as designating blocks for pedestrians only. "What I see is a plan for increasing the density of people and cars downtown," he said.

"The traffic is already there," said Borough Mayor Marvin Reed. "What isn't there is an easily discoverable and ready place for people to park."

Other changes proposed by Princeton Future include new traffic lights along Paul Robeson Place and Route 206 and new roads for better circulation in the area that includes The Merwick Unit of the Medical Center at Princeton, the YMCA and YWCA, and Princeton University's Stanworth Apartments. Bob Durkee, University vice president for public affairs, indicated University support for a coordinated circulation plan.

Princeton Future plans to present its downtown master plan to the Princeton Regional Planning Board, but a date has not yet been set.

—Rebecca Blackwell

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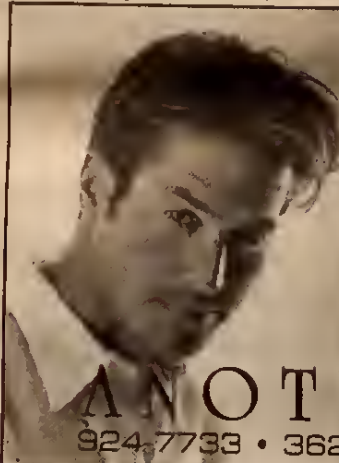
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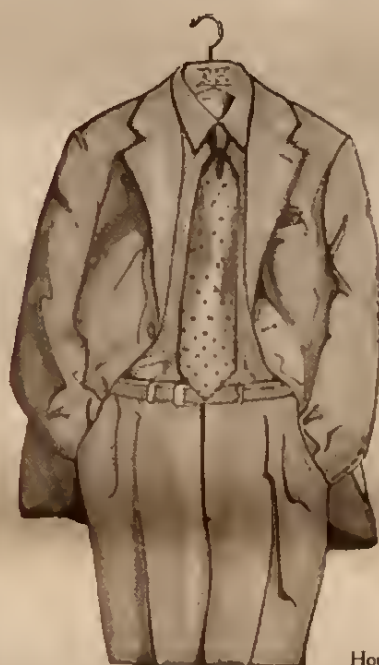
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# Mystery Writer Haunts Princeton Underground and Library Stacks

A labyrinth of utility steam tunnels beneath Palmer Square's stores and apartments helped fuel Flora Davis' imagination as she considered writing a mystery novel set in Princeton in 1940. Part of Ms. Davis' research included exploring the tunnels, which Palmer Square Management gra-

ciously allowed her to do, since they're accessible only to residents there. The tunnels provided excellent material for the book. "Mostly they're broad corridors with doors," she explained. But they interconnect under the Nassau Inn and down to the bottom of Palmer Square, where there

used to be a huge cinema that seated about 1,200." Ms. Davis, a journalist-turned-fiction writer, has lived in Princeton for 23 years. She first heard about the tunnels from a friend, who lived at 9 Palmer Square West in the 1940s. Her friend "worked at Princeton University Press and would bike or

walk to work," Ms. Davis said. "She used to tell me stories about Princeton in those days."

Princeton Cemetery, Nassau Street and the University's Blair Arch all show up in the novel, which is about a young protagonist named Heather MacKenzie, who works for the local newspaper. The plot revolves around the murder of a Princeton University history professor.

## A Princeton Setting

While the book hasn't yet found a publisher, Ms. Davis already has a small but eager following of readers; and she is at work on the second of what she expects will be a series of mystery novels set in Princeton.

Part of researching her story and its World War II backdrop included sitting in Princeton Library and reading through the back issues of two local newspapers - The Princeton Herald and The Princeton Packet - for 1940 and most of 1941. (Town Topics didn't begin publishing until 1946). In this way, she gleaned many little-known facts about the town.

For example, "did you know the two funeral parlors in town used to provide ambulance service for the hospital?" At that time, hearses were often used in small towns to transport emergency victims, as they were well suited for people lying down. "It was \$5 a ride whether living or dead," she said with a smile.

"Princeton is wonderful because so much has changed, and in some ways, so little has changed," Ms. Davis said. Palmer Square was built in the 1930s and the University close to Nassau Street and the cemetery haven't changed. "I see it almost like time-lapse photography: the buildings are static, while generations of Princetonians move through and around them," she said.

Albert Einstein was a resident during those years, and Thomas Mann also lived in Princeton in 1940. "They took walks together, and Thomas Mann had a poodle," Ms. Davis said. "Doing the research was the best part," she said. "I loved all the Princeton lore I learned."

## Nancy Drew Fan

Ms. Davis, a mystery fan going back to Nancy Drew, said she turned to journalism immediately after graduating from McGill University in Montreal. She wrote for magazines such as Vogue and Glamour and also penned five non-fiction books. Now, she says, she's doing what she's always wanted to do. But "starting over in fiction is like going from a senior in high school to a freshman in college," she said. "It's much more difficult to write fiction."

Nevertheless, Ms. Davis has met with success already. Her short story "The Ransom," also set in Princeton, won second prize at the Deadly Ink 2002 Mystery conference, and she's had another short story accepted for an anthology.

She treats writing like any other job, she said. "I sit down at my computer after breakfast and stay there all day until it's time to make dinner." And because Ms.



**LOCAL INSPIRATION:** Princeton writer Flora Davis sits at the Veteran's Memorial at the corner of Mercer and Nassau streets, the setting for a scene in her Princeton-based mystery novel. (Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

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## Flora Davis

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Davis, like many writers, spends so much time with her characters, they sometimes take on life of their own. She admits, "There have been times when I'm walking on campus, and I come upon a spot like Blair Arch behind the U Store, and I say, 'Oh,

this is where Heather met so-and-so.'"

When she's not writing, Ms. Davis likes to read, go to movies, and walk Korku, her Beagle/mixed-breed dog. She also likes to check out what's happening around town.

"It's a pretty literary town," she said, wearing her gray,

Deadly Ink T-shirt. "There's so much going on, I can't begin to keep up with it.

There are lectures at the university; the library puts on so many programs. I can't do a tenth of it," she said.

Ms. Davis' next mystery features FDR's private train, and she's looking for a train

buff to help her with her research. Asked what she would like written on the inside-back jacket cover of her first novel when it's published, she hesitated, but finally said: "That I am a World War II buff, and I live, in Princeton."

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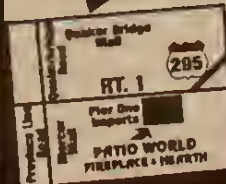
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## ART

### Princeton Photojournalist Exhibiting Images of Cuba

Though most people come to photography through art or design, I came to it through my writing," said Donna Clovis, a native of New Jersey who has lived in the Princeton area for 10 years.

Photographs taken by Ms. Clovis during a recent trip to Cuba are currently featured in "Images of Cuba," an exhibition running at the SweetTree Gallery through Saturday, October 5.

Ms. Clovis was invited to Cuba to exhibit her digital photography and multimedia art in the Museum of Fine Arts in the Salon Arte Digital in Havana. While there, she took the opportunity to photograph the everyday life of the Cuban people.

"Since Cuba has been in the news so much lately and because Cuba has interesting architecture and culture that seems 'paused' in the 1950s, I wanted to photograph and document everyday life in Cuba before it is changed by external forces," said Ms. Clovis.

"Through this show, I want people to sense the spirit of happiness that I felt in Cuba," she added. "Side by side with tremendous need, I found beauty in the spirit of the people."

"In her short visit, Donna was able to focus upon some essential elements of Cuban life," said Pamela Groves, owner of the SweetTree Gallery, 286 Alexander Road. "Some of her images are quite dramatic; others are more whimsical. There is a lot of interest in Cuba, and the show has been an opportunity to educate people."

#### Her Own Vision

Ms. Clovis, who is married with three children, indicated that she chose not to look at any photography books of Cuba before traveling there in order to allow her own vision to take shape.

Upon her return, however, she looked at collections of images taken in Cuba by photojournalist and artist Walker Evans in 1933. "It was very interesting for me to see some very similar images in his work," said Ms. Clovis, "to recognize some of the very streets, and to think that not much has changed since that time in Cuba."

Unlike the Cuban streetscape she photographed, Ms. Clovis has undergone a transformation. After graduating from the College of New Jersey with degrees in English and Spanish and teaching for several years in the Princeton Regional School District, Ms. Clovis received two fellowships from Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism and graduated in 1997.

"I learned how to look at things differently," stated Ms. Clovis, who has worked for Scholastic, Newsweek, and ABC Television in New York City. "That helped my evolution from broadcast journalism to print to photojournalism."

"I spend a lot of time editing when I write," she explained, "but with photography, when I look through the lens, I can see how everything fits together, and I try to capture that moment."

That evolution has brought her professional recognition



**"SATURDAY MORNING":** Taken by Donna Clovis, this image is among the works currently on display in a show to be featured at the SweetTree Gallery through October 5, "Images of Cuba."

and personal satisfaction.

She was recently awarded the 2002 Puffin Grant Award in Photojournalism as well as a Pfizer Grant Award. "Photography taught me to slow down and to look at things and people more carefully," said Ms. Clovis, who took images of New York City in the aftermath of September 11 and who stated that that encounter with suffering has significantly changed her. "After working in New York for the last few years, I want to take the time to see what and who is here in the Princeton community."

Now living in West Windsor, Ms. Clovis has a history of service within the Princeton community.

She taught English as a Second Language at Riverside Elementary School from 1991 through 1996. "There is such a diversity of people there," said Ms. Clovis, who stated that 43 different languages are represented among the student body. "It's a really neat community, and it was wonderful to work with the kids."

In addition to Ms. Clovis' photographs, the exhibit is displaying images of Cuba taken by Lauren Draper, a New York musician and photographer who has visited Cuba many times. Also on view are new works by artists from Guyana, Grenada, Jamaica, and Haiti that depict tropical life, river and ocean scenes, and other natural Caribbean landscapes.

For Ms. Clovis, the exhibit is an example of the satisfaction she now finds through photojournalism.

"After trying to find a comfortable spot of who I am and how best to express myself," said Ms. Clovis, "I'm finally where I feel like I should be."

—David McNutt



**IMAGES OF CUBA:** "Ceramic Dolls," taken by Donna Clovis, is among the photographs that are currently on exhibit at the SweetTree Gallery through October 5.



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## WPA Gallery to Present Joint Paper Exhibition

Through October 11, the Arts Council of Princeton is hosting "Double Vision," a joint exhibition featuring handmade paper works by Joan Needham and Marie Sturken, in its WPA Gallery.

An opening reception for the exhibit, to which the public is invited, will be held on Friday, September 27 from 6 to 8.

Both Ms. Needham and Ms. Sturken work with handmade paper in creating their art, but they use it in different ways; Ms. Sturken works two-dimensionally, while Ms. Needham creates art that is both two and three-dimensional.

The recipient of a BFA from Moore College of Art and Design in Philadelphia and a professor in arts, communication, and technology at Mercer County Community College, Ms. Needham most recently exhibited her work at



**EUROPEAN ARTIST TO EXHIBIT: "The Well," an etching on paper work by Istvan Orosz, shown with a mirror cylinder, will be among the works featured in a solo exhibition at Marsha Child Contemporary beginning Friday, September 27.**

## Marsha Child to Present Etchings in Solo Exhibit

Marsha Child Contemporary will present etchings and anamorphic works by European artist Istvan Orosz from Friday, September 27 through Thursday, October 24.

Opening receptions will be held from 5 to 8 on Friday, September 27 and Saturday, September 28. An RSVP for the reception is appreciated.

Marsha Child Contemporary is located at 220 Alexander Street. For more information, call 497-7330.

## Hopewell Frame Shop To Host One-Man Show

From Friday, September 27 through Saturday, October 26, the Hopewell Frame Shop will host the work of Robert Sebbo, a resident of the greater Princeton area, in a one-man exhibition.

A reception for the exhibit will be held on Friday, September 27 from 6 to 8.

"I've held art shows at our gallery for more than 20 years," said Abby Frantz, owner and founder of the Hopewell Frame Shop, "but when I saw Robert Sebbo's illustrations I was transported into a whole new dimension of imagination."

"His work truly captures the essence of fantasy," she added. "Working only with felt-tipped colored pens, Robert's fanciful images of melancholy whales, graceful rhinos, and even bacon and eggs give you a new perspective on reality."

Born in California in 1946, Mr. Sebbo is a self-taught artist. After spending nearly two decades playing guitar with several rock groups, Mr. Sebbo settled in New Jersey in the late 1980s and returned to his work in illustration.

The Hopewell Frame Shop is located at 24 West Broad Street in Hopewell. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 to 5 and Saturdays from 9 to 3. For more information, contact Ms. Frantz at 466-0817.

the Atelier Fine Art Gallery in Frenchtown.

"Experimenting with and manipulating the innate behavior of paper allows me the freedom to let the process itself control much of the results," said Ms. Needham, whose work appears in several public collections, including those at Princeton University, the Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick, and the Newark Library Print Collection. "The color, texture, tonality, and the way the paper absorbs or reflects light is the subject of my work."

Ms. Sturken has displayed her artwork in numerous solo, joint, and group show venues, including the National Printmaking Show at Trenton State College, New Jersey State Museum's Friends Cafe Gallery, and the Trenton Artists' Workshop Association Soviet Art Exchange in Moscow, Russia. Her works are also featured in many public collections such as those in the Museum of Modern Art Library in New York; the United States Embassy in Tokyo, Japan; and RJR Nabisco in Hanover.

"I have always been interested in the traces of antiquity and the way ancient ruins contain secrets from the past," said Ms. Sturken. "Tearing things, distressing things, and sending them through a series of processes gives them new life and meaning. The transformation of raw fibers through beating, the layering of various materials, and the rhythmic cyclic nature of papermaking are metaphors for ongoing life cycles and the forces of nature."

The WPA Gallery is located at the Arts Council of Princeton in the Paul Robeson Building at 102 Witherspoon Street. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 to 5, and on weekends by appointment. For more information, call 924-8777 or visit [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org).



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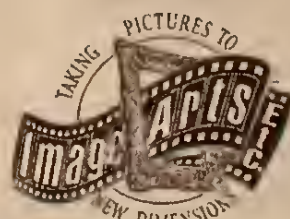
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**STILL DREAMS:** "Communion with Found Marble" is among the pieces that will be featured in "Still Dreaming," an exhibition of works by Christine Lafuente that will run at the Morpeth Gallery in Hopewell throughout the month of October.

### Morpeth Gallery to Run One-Woman Exhibition

Beginning October 1, the Morpeth Gallery will host "Still Dreaming," an exhibition featuring recent paintings by Christine Lafuente. The show will run throughout the month of October.

An opening reception will be held on Saturday, October 5 from 6 to 8.

"I try to convey first and foremost the joy of seeing, for that is my lifeline as a painter," said Ms. Lafuente. "These paintings are as much about intimacy, relationship, time passage, the creative act, and the mysterious way light can elevate the ordinary into the transcendent."

The exhibit will include Vermont landscapes, figurative work, and still lifes.

Ms. Lafuente earned a certificate in painting from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and is currently pursuing an M.F.A. at Brooklyn College while studying with Lennart Anderson.

In June 2002, she attended the Vermont Studio Center having received a Full Fellowship Award. Ms. Lafuente also serves as artist in residence at the Fleisher Art Memorial in Philadelphia.

The Morpeth Gallery is located at 43 West Broad Street in Hopewell. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 10 to 6 and Sunday from 12 to 5. For more information, call 333-9393.

### University Art Museum To Offer Children's Talk

The Princeton University Art Museum will begin a series of morning talks for children ages 5 through 9 on Saturday, September 28.

Enea Tierno, a museum docent, will present "Meet Chang-Kuo Lao, One of the Eight Immortals" at 11.

The Princeton University Art Museum, located in the

middle of the University campus, is free and open to the public. Due to ongoing construction, visitors should use the staff entrance on the west side of the building, across the green from Dodd Hall. For more information, call 258-5828 or visit [www.princetonartmuseum.org](http://www.princetonartmuseum.org).



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## Rider University Art Gallery to Show Holocaust Exhibit

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Free and open to the public, the exhibition will be presented on the top floor of the Student Center on Rider's Lawrenceville campus.

The exhibit tells the little-known story of a courageous group of diplomats from 25 countries who, from 1938 to

1945, risked their careers and their lives to save thousands of Jews who would have been consumed by the Nazi terror. The displays are based on original photographs and other archival material collected from the families of the diplomats, historical accounts by survivors, and original government records.

"While the work of Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg who saved thousands of Hungarian Jews is widely recognized, little is known of the 100 others who aided the imperiled in direct violation of the regulations and immigration policies of their countries," said Harvey Kornberg, associate professor of politi-

cal science and co-director of the Julius and Dorothy Koppelman Holocaust and Genocide Center at Rider University.

"Many of the diplomats were censured, fired, or stripped of their ranking and pensions," he added. "Others were ostracized in their homes; two lost their lives."

Cosponsors of the exhibit are the American Jewish Committee of Central New Jersey and the Julius and Dorothy Koppelman Holocaust and Genocide Center at Rider. The exhibit was made possible by grants from Julius Koppelman, the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, the Consulate of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Raoul Wallenberg Committee

of New Jersey, Princeton Theological Seminary, and the Swedish Consulate.

Three other events at Rider University have been planned in conjunction with the exhibition.

On Wednesday, October 9 from 7 to 9, a panel discussion, entitled "Unsung Heroes: Can One Person Make a Difference?," will be moderated by Anne-Marie Slaughter, dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. Panel participants will include Princeton professors Kwame Anthony Appiah, Harold James, and Thomas E. Breidenthal.

On Sunday, October 13 from 3:30 to 5:30, a screening of the film *The Children of Chabannes* in the Student Center Theater will be accompanied by a discussion with its producer and director, Lisa Gossels.

On Sunday, October 27, "Raoul Wallenberg: An Evening Tribute," will be held at 6:45 in the Fireside Lounge of the Student Center.

The Rider University Art Gallery is open 9 to 2:30 on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays; 9 to 7 on Tuesdays and Thursdays; and 1 to 4 on Saturdays and Sundays. For more information on the exhibit, contact Carol Azoff at the Julius and Dorothy Koppelman Holocaust and Genocide Center at Rider at 896-5345.



**THE ODYSSEY CONTINUES:** This handmade paper and embedded chine-colle piece by Marie Sturken of Princeton, entitled "Outwitting the One-Eyed Giant," is among the works currently featured in "Homer's Odyssey," an exhibit by the Princeton Artists Alliance that will run through October 27 at the Newark Museum.



**HOLOCAUST EXHIBITION:** The Rider University Art Gallery will host "Visas for Life: The Righteous Diplomats" from Wednesday, October 2 through Sunday, October 27. The exhibit tells the story of a group of diplomats from 25 countries who risked their lives to save thousands of Jews during the Holocaust.

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## Grounds for Sculpture To Host "Cool Women"

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## THEATER REVIEW

### "Betty's Summer Vacation" Highlights Horrors of House-Sharing And Excesses of Our Media-Obsessed Era, in Intime Season Opener

**T**hought you'd heard some horror stories about summer vacations gone awry? Beach house rentals where the housemates didn't turn out to be quite what had been expected? Betty, the protagonist in Christopher Durang's *Betty's Summer Vacation* (1999), can top them all!

Fans of Mr. Durang — author also of *Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All for You* (1980), *Beyond Therapy* (1982) and *Boby With the Bothwoter* (1983), among other scathing social satires — are accustomed to outrageous characters, situations and plotlines that sporadically sail off from the plausible into the surrealistic realm. *Betty's Summer Vacation*, however, takes audiences further into the stratosphere of wackiness than even Mr. Durang usually ventures.

The journey is full of laughs and clever lampoons on our obsessions with sensationalistic media, sex and psychobabble. With a serial killer who enjoys dismembering his victims, a boastful, scorekeeping sex addict and a derelict-flasher-rapist among the eccentrics sharing the summer cottage with Betty, tastefulness is not one of this play's primary attributes.

In the fashion of classical tragedy, the violence and sex do take place offstage and are vividly reported afterwards. The restrictions of this family newspaper forbid sharing too many of the details here, but if the typical daily fare of mainstream television or a graphic version of the Lorena Bobbitt story don't offend you, then you're not likely to be offended by this play. The cartoon-like tone of the play does soften the impact of the events of extravagant sex and violence.

#### Strange Housemates

*Betty's Summer Vacation* begins with the arrival of Betty (Rachel Koblic) and her friend Trudy (Elizabeth Berg) at the summer beach house they have rented with three strangers, who will soon appear. One, Mrs. Seizmagraff (Vanessa Rodriguez), surprisingly turns out to be Trudy's mother, who contributes a heavy dose of psychological grist for the satire mill in the form of Jerry Springer Showstyle commentary on her alcoholic husband who sexually abused his daughter (Trudy), and the codependence of all three of them. Mrs. Seizmagraff has picked up on the beach a Mr. Vanislaw (Micah Baskir), a raincoat clad flasher, who, after he has finished exposing himself to all the other characters in the house, disappears into Trudy's bedroom to rape her.

Theatre Intime's production of *Betty's Summer Vacation* by Christopher Durang plays in the Hamilton Murray Theatre for one more weekend, with performances Thursday through Saturday, September 26-28, at 8 and an additional 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday. Call 258-1742 for tickets.

anyone is missing any of the subtleties of these characters, the most blatant of all is Buck (Austin Saypol), the most swinish of politically incorrect sex addicts, whose clever pick-up line — "Do you want to have sex?" — is followed up by an invitation to peruse his photo album of pictures of his private parts.

The strangest residents of this house, however, are the voices in the ceiling (Ben Beckley, Emily Mitchell, Salman Butt), who serve the purposes of a laugh track and a sort of Greek chorus, commenting, often abrasively, on the action. They delight in the high level of decadent activity, demand constant entertainment and plead for even more degrading, humiliating revelations from the characters of the play.

Princeton University junior John Vennema has directed



**VACATION FROM HELL:** Rachel Koblic, who plays the title character in *Betty's Summer Vacation*, strolls pensively along the boardwalk. The wild Christopher Durang farce, currently at Theatre Intime on the Princeton University campus, will make you think twice before ever sharing a beach house again.

this undergraduate ensemble with flair and skill, to sustain the comedy throughout. The pace is swift, the horrors are more amusing than upsetting, and the evening is an entertaining one. There were one or two opening-night miscues — errant lights, misbehaving doors — but those hitches will surely be ironed out by the second weekend of the run.

Some of the performers are more adept than others at the deceptively difficult performance style that this broadly satiric material demands. Ms. Koblic, despite occasional lapses in diction, successfully portrays the "normal," reasonable, sympathetic main character. The audience identifies with her and through her is able to see and experience the outlandish deviations from normality throughout the rest of the play.

Ms. Berg projects the necessary energy and emotion, but needs to deliver her part with more consistent conviction, without stepping outside to comment on the character's eccentricities. Trudy is one of those very funny, absurd roles that must be played with utter seriousness. Mr. Kitrosser, for the most part, avoids the temptation to mug and presents a threateningly edgy, wild-eyed, very amusing psychopath.

#### The Mother from Hell

Ms. Rodriguez, though not quite convincing in making a significant age stretch, is confident, poised and appropriately domineering as the mother from hell. She pulls off an impressive tour de force in playing multiple roles in her second act presentation of a trial worthy of the most outrageous court TV, following the rape of her daughter.

Mr. Saypol's obnoxious testosterone beach boy is squarely on target, larger than life but never over the top, and Mr. Baskir presents a suitably unsavory exhibitionist. The choral voices in the ceiling, who dramatically descend from the ceiling for the play's climactic moments, provide solid, effective support.

The set design by Devon Wessman-Smerdon and lighting by Lindsey Mantoan present an attractive beach cottage living room and kitchen, with sliding doors and patio in the background — all appropriately commonplace and familiar as a backdrop for the insanity that takes place on stage. Rachael Timinsky's costumes are colorful and apt in enhancing the array of characterizations here.

*Betty's Summer Vacation* offers an abundance of laughs, a certain assurance that your housemates are not the strangest collection of human beings on the planet and a wickedly wild send-up of our contemporary culture.

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## Crossroads Theatre To Reopen in October

After being dark for nearly two years, Crossroads Theatre Company, the 1999 Tony Award-winning theatre, will open with "An Evening of comedy with 'Moms' Mabley," starring and written by Obie award-winner Clarice Taylor. Ms. Taylor, who played Grandma Huxtable on the Cosby TV show, based "Moms" on the life of the African-American pioneer comedienne, Jackie "Moms" Mabley.

The show opens on October 24 and will play 9 performances, with evening shows at 8 on October 24, 25, 26, November 1 and 2. Matinee performances are at 3 on October 26 and 27 and November 2 and 3.

The second presentation Monk is based on the life of jazz pianist Theolonious Monk, and will star Rome Neal of the Nuyorican Poets Cafe in New York as Monk. The show opens November 14.

The third selection of the series, *From the Mississippi Delta*, is based on the life of Dr. Endesha Ida Mae Holland. "This autobiographical account of triumph over oppression" is scheduled to open on December 5. It is being produced in conjunction with the Queens Theatre in the Park and the New Jersey Performing Arts Center.

A musical play, still to be announced, will be scheduled in February to celebrate Black History Month.

"While not a full theatrical season, these works clearly reflect a season of renewal," said George Faison, acting artistic director of the theater.

"These series of plays will serve as the foundation upon which we can build," added Roberta J. Coleman, Crossroads' new executive director. "We will use these planks to shore up Crossroads to become the theatre it was and the theater we know it can be once more."

Crossroads Theatre Company is an affiliate member of the New Jersey Theatre Alliance group of professional theaters.

Ticket prices range from \$32 to \$42. Group rates are also available. For reservations and information, call (732) 545-8100.



**BENEFITING OTHERS:** Dr. Victor Glasser, an accomplished clarinetist who lost his eyesight several years ago, poses with LaSalle, a black Labrador retriever trained and provided by Guide Dogs for the Blind. To raise money for the charitable organization, Dr. Glasser has organized a benefit performance by The Festival Chamber Music of New York City on Sunday, October 27.

## Concert Will Benefit Guide Dogs for the Blind

The Festival Chamber Music of New York City will perform works by Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Debussy at a concert to benefit Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc. on Sunday, October 27, at 3 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton.

The benefit was organized by Princeton resident Dr. Victor Glasser, an accomplished clarinetist and chamber musician who lost his eyesight several years ago as a result of macular degeneration. Guide Dogs for the Blind, a non-profit organization that trains dogs to assist visually impaired people, helped Dr. Glasser increase his independence and mobility by providing him with a black Labrador retriever named LaSalle.

The Festival Chamber Music of New York City includes cellist Ruth Sommers, pianist David Oei, and violinist Eriko Sato. Ms. Sommers, the group's musical director is a graduate of Juilliard, a winner of a Concert Artists Guild Award, and a former member of Young Concert Artists.

Mr. Oei was a soloist with the Hong Kong Philharmonic at the age of nine and has since performed with the New York Philharmonic and the Pittsburgh and Baltimore Symphonies. He has appeared on television in Leonard Bernstein's Young People's Concerts.

Ms. Sato was a winner of the Tibor Varga International competition and three Japanese National Awards. She has appeared as a soloist

with the Louisville, San Francisco Chamber, Aspen Chamber, and Tokyo Imperial orchestras.

Tickets, which are tax deductible and cost \$25, can be purchased at the door or ordered in advance by calling Dr. Glasser at 683-8332. The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton is located at 50 Cherry Hill Road, just off Route 206.

## Concert Rescheduled

The Greater Princeton Youth Orchestra concert originally planned for September 14, featuring a new composition by composer Paul Hofreiter to commemorate September 11, 2001, has been rescheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, September 28 at Kuser Farm Park in Hamilton.

For more information, call 936-8700.

## Watershed Will Host Wildlife Theater Players

The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association will present a performance by the Wildlife Theater Players on Sunday, September 29, at 1:30. Actors from the Manhattan-based theater group will interact with puppets in six short pieces suited to young audiences.

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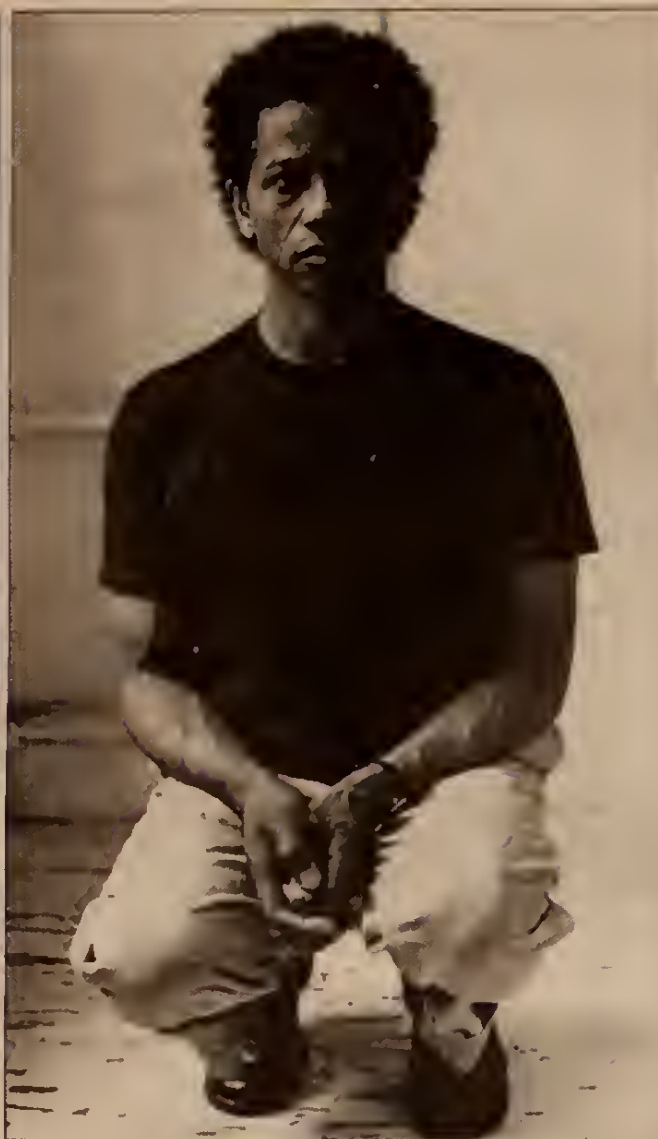
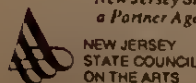
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Choreographer Ralph Lemon will perform and host a discussion about his current project at the Hagan Dance Studio at 185 Nassau Street as part of a short-term fellowship sponsored by Princeton University's Program in Theater and Dance and the Humanities Council.

He will present an informal solo performance on Saturday, September 28, at 8 p.m. A lecture, video presentation, and discussion about Mr. Lemon's current work, *Geography Trilogy*, will be held on Monday, September 30, at 4:30. Both events are free and open to the public.

Mr. Lemon's trilogy is a series of three full-length performance works that investigate an apparent collision of cultures and a search for personal and artistic identity within a broader world arena. *Geography, Part I: Africa/Race* premiered in 1997, *Geography, Part II: Tree*

opened in 2000, and *Geography, Part III: House* is projected to premiere in 2004.

Mr. Lemon has also created gallery exhibitions and published a book, *Geography: art/race/exile*, related to the project.

After graduating from the University of Minnesota with a degree in English Literature and Theater Arts, he became a founding member of The Mixed Blood Theater Company in Minneapolis. He went on to perform with the Nancy Hauser Dance Company and Meredith Monk/The House and founded the Ralph Lemon Company in 1985.

Mr. Lemon later dedicated his organization, now known as Cross Performance Inc., to the creation of new forms of performance and presentation that cross cultures and artistic disciplines. He received a 1999 CalArts Albert Award in the Arts and was invited to participate in the National Theatre Artist Residency Program.

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Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13): Fri., 5:15, 6:10, 7:30, 8:30, 9:45; Sat. & Sun., 12:45, 1:30, 3, 3:50, 5:15, 6:10, 7:30 with 8:30 and 9:45 shows Sat.; Mon. - Thrs., 6, 7:30, 8:15

Four Feathers (PG-13): Fri., 6:25, 9:15; Sat., 12:45, 3:35, 6:25, 9:15; Sun., 12:45, 3:35, 6:25; Mon. - Thrs., 7:45

The Banger Sisters (R): Fri., 5:35, 7:45, 9:55; Sat., 1:15, 3:25, 5:35, 7:45, 9:55; Sun., 1:15, 3:25, 5:35, 7:45; Mon. - Thrs., 6:20, 8:30

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**Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever** (PG-13) Antonio Banderas as a reclusive former FBI manhunter who goes back into service to track down a kidnapper (Lucy Liu).

**The Banger Sisters** (R) Comedy about two former rock groupies who reunite after 20 years.

**Barbershop** (PG-13) Comedy starring Ice Cube as the owner of a Chicago barbershop filled with eclectic characters.

**City by the Sea** (R) Robert DeNiro stars as a New York City homicide detective forced to investigate his own son for murder.

**8 Women** (R) Eight women become suspects when a family matriarch is murdered at an isolated mansion in 1950s France. In French with subtitles.

**Four Feathers** (PG-13) Heath Ledger plays a British officer in 1898 who resigns his post when he learns his regiment is planning to ship out to the Sudan to fight the Mahdi.

**Igby Goes Down** (R) Kieran Culkin as a non-achieving prep school student who goes on the lam. Bill Pullman and Susan Sarandon play his parents.

**Last Kiss** (R) Comedy about four buddies in their 30s who try to dodge maturity by buying a camper and hitting the road. In Spanish with subtitles.

**Mostly Martha** (PG) Comedy about a chef in a German restaurant who finds a new recipe for life when her 8-year-old niece comes to live with her.

**My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Cultures clash when a 30-year-old Greek woman who works in her cranky father's restaurant falls in love with an inappropriate man.

**One Hour Photo** (R) An employee at a one-hour photo lab (Robin Williams) grows obsessed with a family that he's come to know through their pictures.

**Spy Kids 2** (PG-13) The child spies return - this time to battle a mysterious scientist (Steve Buscemi) who is up to no good.

**Stealing Harvard** (PG-13) Comedy about a young man whose life unravels when he turns to petty crime to pay his niece's college tuition.

**Sweet Home Alabama** (PG-13) Reese Witherspoon as a New York fashion designer who tries to divorce her husband in order to marry New York's most eligible bachelor.

**Swimfan** (PG-13) Thriller about a high school senior whose life begins to unravel when a new girl at school becomes obsessed with him.

**Trapped** (R) Kevin Bacon and Courtney Love play kidnappers who have mastered a foolproof plan to extort money from wealthy families.

**The Tuxedo** (PG-13) Jackie Chan as a New York cabie who gets involved with a government spy project.

## Passage Theatre Appoints New Director

Passage Theatre of Trenton has announced the appointment of David White as managing director. He joins the theater full-time after serving as an artist-mentor with the theatre's education arm, the State Street Project, this spring.

His new responsibilities at Passage Theatre will include working closely with the theater's city and state partners, assisting the board of directors, managing the theater's finances, handling strategic planning, and helping coordinate the theater's education program.

Prior to moving to New Jersey, Mr. White taught English at St. Augustine College in Chicago, Ill., and performed in numerous plays in the Chicago area. He has also served as assistant artistic director, director of outreach, and director of group sales for the Three Rivers Shakespeare Festival in Pittsburgh, Pa.

"Throughout my career, I've seen that the theaters that have the most lasting impact are those that care equally about their community and their work on the stage," said Mr. White. "That is clearly the focus of Passage Theatre."

His plans for the theater include expanding its education programs for youth, increasing its reach beyond Trenton, and continuing to produce shows that will appeal to diverse audiences.

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Sun-Thurs: 2:15, 4:40, 7:05 (R)

**MOSTLY MARTHA**  
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Fri&Sat: 2:15, 4:35, 7:00, 9:20  
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**8 WOMEN**  
(French English Subtitles) (R)  
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Sun-Thurs 2:20, 4:35, 7:00

**ONE HOUR PHOTO**  
Fri&Sat: 2:20, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30  
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## MOVIE REVIEW

### "Swimming"

98 Minutes; Not Rated

Directed by Robert J. Siegel

Featuring Lauren Ambrose, Jennifer Dundas Lowe, Joelle Carter, Josh Pais and Jamie Harrold

Swimming is an intelligent, leisurely coming-of-age film that tells the tale of one summer in the life of shy, awkward Frankie Wheeler (Lauren Ambrose). Frankie begins the summer wishing she had a car so she could drive away and see the world; by summer's end, she realizes an entire new world has come to her doorstep.

Frankie spends her days waiting tables at the Myrtle Beach cafe she co-owns with her cranky older brother, Neil (Josh Pais), and her nights hanging out with her reckless, hotheaded best friend, Nicola (Jennifer Dundas Lowe). Nicola owns a body piercing salon next door to the cafe.

When a sexy newcomer named Josee (Joelle Carter) lands a waitress job at the cafe, Frankie's life begins to change. Josee takes a friendly interest in Frankie, and

Frankie develops a bit of a crush on the exotic, well-traveled Josee. (Josee has even been to Hawaii, compliments of a credit card pilfered from a mailbag by her former boyfriend.)

It's a heady feeling for Frankie when her old friend, Nicola, and her new friend, Josee, become adversaries, vying for Frankie's attention. And to add to Frankie's confusion, a third person takes a shine to her. This is Heath (Jamie Harrold), a likable pothead who sells tie-dyed shirts out of his van.

Director Siegel knows the strength of his film lies in its characters and he allows them to be natural. He also encourages his actors to use a lot of nonverbal communication. Especially good is a scene where Josee kisses Frankie a little too intimately and Frankie's flush of bewilderment plays across her face.

The movie captures perfectly the personality of a beach town in summer — the shifting loyalties and evolving relationships amidst the constant partying and the promenade of scantily-clad Copper-toned bodies cruising the boardwalk.

Swimming builds slowly and subtly and gets all the details just right. —Janet Kirk

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The film traces New Jersey's death penalty from Colonial days, explores wrongful convictions, and features interviews with prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges, the loved ones of murder victims, and innocent people who were wrongly convicted.

Guest speaker is Celeste Fitzgerald, the founding chairperson of New Jerseyans for a Death Penalty Moratorium. She is also northeast field office director for Equal Justice USA/The Quixote Center.

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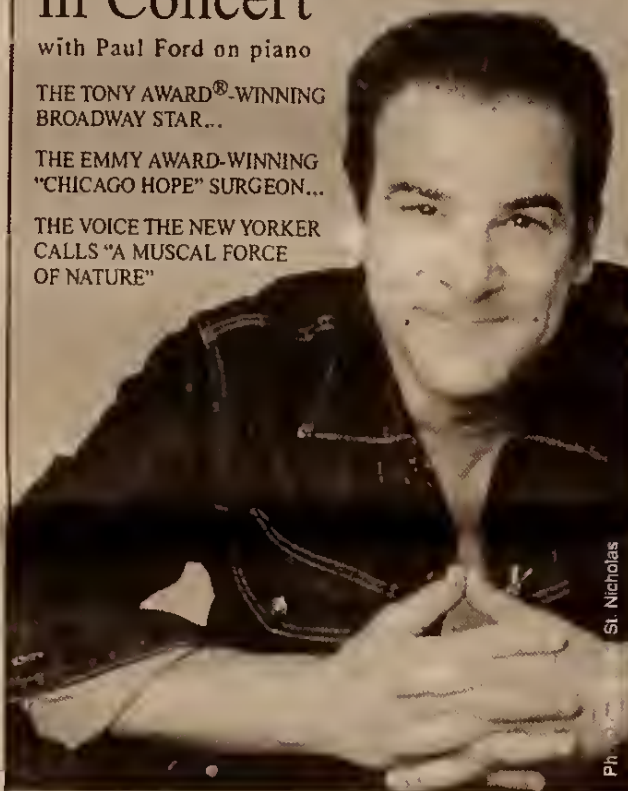
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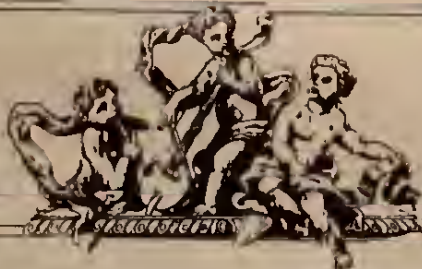
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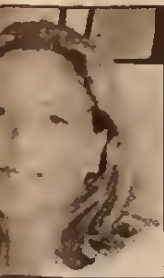
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### Wednesday, September 25

7:30 p.m.: Township Zoning Board; Township Hall.

8 p.m.: Loot, McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday and Friday at 8, Saturday at 4

and 8:30, Sunday at 2 and 7:30.

### Thursday, September 26

8 p.m.: Borough Zoning Board; Borough Hall.

### Friday, September 27

8 p.m.: English Musical Hall; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College.

West Windsor. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2.

8 p.m.: *The Housekeeper*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

### Saturday, September 28

6:30-9:30 p.m.: Princeton Hub, drop-in center for adults with special needs; Princeton United Methodist Church, Nassau Street. Bingo night.

### Tuesday, October 1

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

### Wednesday, October 2

4:30 p.m.: Hodder Fellows Andrea Ashworth and Marlys West reading from their work; James Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

5 p.m. lecture, "Pope Pius

XII and the Holocaust," Robert S. Wistrich, Neuberger Professor of Modern European and Jewish History, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Wolfensohn Hall, Institute for Advanced Study.

7 p.m.: Film, *Pauline and Paulette*; Public Library. Discussion follows screening.

### Thursday, October 3

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, English and contra; Princeton Friends School, Quaker Road.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board.

8 p.m.: *Sweeney Todd*; The Playhouse, Westminster Choir College. Also Friday and Saturday at 8, Sunday at 3.

### Friday, October 4

4:30 p.m.: Tom Paulin, poet, reading from his work; James Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

5 p.m.: Special School Board meeting; Valley Road building.

8 p.m.: *English Music Hall*; Kelsey Theater, Mercer County Community College, West Windsor. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2.

8 p.m.: *The Housekeeper*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

### Saturday, October 5

9 a.m.-4 p.m.: Medical Center White Elephant Rumage Sale; Warehouse at Princeton House, 905 Herrontown road. Also Sunday from 10 to 3.

8:30 p.m.: Mandy Patinkin Gala Benefit, "Celebrating Sondheim"; McCarter Theatre.

## SENIOR CITIZENS CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 25 • Wednesday, October 2

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### Wednesday, September 25:

10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; Spruce  
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too!; Spruce.

### Thursday, September 26:

10:00 a.m. Yoga, Princeton Community Village.  
2:00 p.m. Pre-Columbian, African & Chinese Art (6 sessions @ \$50); Princeton Univ. Art Museum.

### Friday, September 27:

10:00 a.m. Princeton Health Fest; Princeton YWCA.  
10:00 a.m. Movement for Arthritis; Elm Court  
1:00 p.m. Senior Citizen Club Meeting; Princeton Community Village.  
3:30 p.m. Beginning PC; Valley Road Building.  
6:00 p.m. Bingo; Elm Court.

### Monday, September 30:

11:15 a.m. Chair Exercise; Spruce.  
1:30 p.m. The Wonder of Wordplay with Rice Lyons; Jewish Center.  
3:30 p.m. Beginning PC; Valley Road Building.  
3:30 p.m. Aging with Creativity & Humor (8 sessions \$50); Acorn Glen.  
6:00 p.m. Bingo; Elm Court.

### Tuesday, October 1:

10:00 a.m. Tai Chi; Acorn Glen.  
10:00 a.m. Camus & Kafka (10 sessions \$50); Clay Street Learning Center.  
11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish; Spruce.  
12 noon: Beginners Spanish; Spruce.  
12:30 p.m. Social Bridge; Borough Hall.  
1:00 p.m. The Victorian Era with George Ingenbrandt; Spruce.  
1:00 p.m. Contemporary Dilemmas (10 sessions \$50); Medical Center at Princeton.  
6:00 p.m. Bingo; Spruce.

### Wednesday, October 2:

10:00 a.m. Islam in the 20th Century (10 sessions \$50); Clay Street Learning Center.  
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; Spruce.  
1:00 p.m. American Poets & Their Poetry (6 sessions \$50); 47 Hemlock Circle.  
2:00 p.m. Classic Jazz: Origins & Artists (10 sessions \$50); 1079 Stuart Road.  
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too!; Spruce.

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# Sports

## Tigers Football Drops Heartbreaker to Lehigh Squandering 17-Point Lead in Losing Opener

As the Princeton University football team prepared for its season opener last Saturday at Lehigh, the coaching staff made it clear that the squad needed playmakers to emerge if the Tigers were to keep up with the high-flying Mountain Hawks. Sophomore wide receiver B.J. Szymanski apparently took that message to heart.

After making eight receptions last fall, the 6'5 Szymanski came up with five catches for 98 yards in the first half as the Tigers jumped to a stunning 24-7 lead over Lehigh, which came into the afternoon riding a 24-game winning streak at home and ranked as the number three team among Division I-AA schools.

Szymanski's heroics started early as he scored the Tigers' first touchdown on an 11-yard scoring strike from David Splithoff in a drive that saw the receiver come up with a crucial 13-yard grab and an 18-yard run on an end around. In the next drive, Szymanski made a beautiful over-the-shoulder grab on a Splithoff bomb for a 66-yard gain that set up Princeton's second touchdown.

But Szymanski, like the rest of the Tigers' offense, cooled in the second half as Lehigh mounted a furious comeback that saw the Mountain Hawks score 24 points in the fourth quarter enabling them to overcome the Tigers' early brilliance and pin an agonizing 31-24 defeat on Princeton.

As Szymanski stood outside the locker room in the aftermath of the game while the crowd of 12,176 filed out of Goodman Stadium, he was heartened by how the Tigers performed notwithstanding the disappointing result.

"In that first half, we showed the ability that

we have, we had a couple of big pass plays, a couple of big runs, we were executing very well," said Szymanski, who ended the afternoon with seven catches for 111 yards. "They brought a little more heat in the second half, they made us change our game plan a little bit, I credit them for making good adjustments. Our effort was still there in the second half but we lost a little of our poise and we need to work on that."

Szymanski came into the game determined to show that he was ready to make a major contribution this fall.

"I felt that I could make some plays if the coach gave me a little opportunity," said Szymanski, a native of Wichita Falls, Texas who speaks with a slight Southern accent. "Last year I was a freshman still learning the system and this year in spring ball they moved me into a starting position. There was no doubt that I would play more, whether I was going to catch a lot of passes or get a lot of yards, I was just going to do whatever I could to help the team win."

Princeton head coach Roger Hughes saw a lot of that mentality from the Tigers, who will look to break into the winning column this Saturday night when they host 2-1 Lafayette.

"I was proud of how our team played, we went toe-to-toe with the third ranked team in the country," said Hughes, who now has a 6-14 mark in his tenure as the Tigers' head man. "I thought we gained a lot of confidence in the first half

but then we made mistakes. You can't turn the ball over in the second half. This one stings a lot."

Noting, however, that "one game does not

**"B.J. [Szymanski] is a great receiver, we always knew he could do all of this. He can get open, we just have to get him the ball and he'll do the job."**



**UNDER FIRE:** Princeton quarterback David Splithoff on the run in second half action last Saturday in the Tigers' 31-24 loss at Lehigh. Splithoff ran for 50 yards in the game while hitting on 18-for-30 passes for 251 yards and two touchdowns.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

make a season," Hughes sees plenty to build on even on a humid 83 degree afternoon that saw his Tigers wilt in the face of Lehigh's late charge.

"There were two ways to learn from this. You always learn from the first game, the old coaching cliché holds true that the most improvement comes between the first and second game," added Hughes, who got outstanding performances from Splithoff who hit 18 of 30 passes for 251 yards and rushed for 50 more and receiver Chism Opara, who came up with four catches for 88 yards, including a 54-yard touchdown play. "Secondly, we saw that we can score on a very good offense and shut down a good offense. Sometimes you stand around and wait for someone to make plays, our kids are in a learning process and need to execute when the game's on the line."

Junior quarterback Splithoff agreed with Hughes' analysis, saying, "we can build on that [first half], we played well but we can play better," said the quarterback, who was

11-15 for 209 yards in Princeton's first half outburst, added "I'm excited, if we can play like that Saturday, we'll have a big game."

Splithoff recognizes that a key to victory will be keeping Szymanski in the center of the action. "B.J. is a great receiver, we always knew he could do all of this," maintained Splithoff. "He can get open, we just have to get him the ball and he'll do the job."

Szymanski, for his part, sees big things ahead.

"We need to do a little better, continuing to attack on offense and defense, that's our whole mentality," said Szymanski. "We're going to watch film and eliminate the errors; and enhance some of the good things we did. All we can do is to keep our heads up and do better. I feel that's what we're going to do."

One of the good things the Tigers can enhance in order to improve is getting the ball to Szymanski who showed Saturday that he can be the kind of playmaker that breaks games wide open.

—Bill Alden

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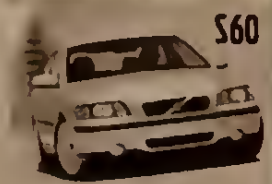
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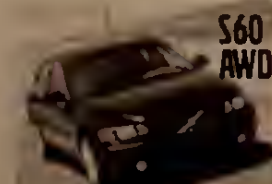


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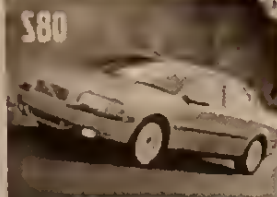
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## Tiger Women's Soccer 4-0 After Beating Dartmouth

Spurred by the heroics of Esmeralda Negron, the University women's soccer team defeated visiting Dartmouth 4-1 last Saturday to remain undefeated on the season.

Negron, a sophomore midfielder, scored the game-winning goal and assisted on the final tally as the Tigers lifted their record to 4-0 (2-0, Ivy). Other goal scorers for Princeton included Emily Behncke, Theresa Sherry and Kristina Fontanez.

The Tigers look to continue their winning ways when they host Monmouth on September 24 and then travel to Boston College on September 27 and Boston University on September 29.



**FOLLOW ME:** Princeton running back Branden Benson following 295-pound guard Chris Havener as the Tigers battled Lehigh last Saturday. Benson scored a first half touchdown as Princeton built a 24-7 lead only to fall to the Mountain Hawks' fourth quarter onslaught.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

## Tigers Field Hockey at 3-1 After Topping Big Green

The Princeton University field hockey team trounced visiting Dartmouth 9-1 last Saturday to improve to 3-1 (3-0, Ivy) as Natalie Martirosian and Ashley Sennett each scored three goals.

The Tigers also got goals from Emily Townsend, Ilvy Friebe and Claire Miller while goalkeeper Kelly Baril recorded two saves.

Princeton will look to add to its three-game winning streak as it hosts non-Ivy foes

Maryland on September 27 and Michigan State on September 29.

## Motlagh Nets 5 Goals In Tigers Water Polo Win

Freshman Jamal Motlagh scored five goals as the Princeton University men's water polo team defeated Bucknell 15-11 last Sunday at Buck-

nell to improve to 5-2 on the season.

Other goal scorers for the Tigers included Kevin Foster and Dan McKenna who each scored three goals, Robert Uruquart who chipped in two and Michael Murray and John Stover who scored one apiece.

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## IVY LEAGUE WRAP

This week's Ivy League schedule is highlighted by the Tigers' home-opener and the first two league clashes of the season.

**Lafayette at Princeton:** Tigers look to use sparkling first half display at Lehigh as a 60-minute template against 2-1 Lafayette, which should be smarting after absorbing 52-21 beating at the hands of Penn.

**New Hampshire at Dartmouth:** The Big Green, which blew a late lead in losing 30-26 to Colgate last Saturday, look to get into winning column against cross-state rival New Hampshire (0-4).

**Harvard at Brown:** The Crimson, winners of a tight 28-23 contest with Holy Cross last Saturday, bring a 10-game unbeaten streak into Providence to face explosive-but-porous Brown, which lost 56-42 to Towson last Saturday.

**Columbia at Colgate:** The Lions, who got their season off to a dramatic start beating Fordham 13-11 on a field goal with 10 seconds left, test 1-2 Colgate, which got into the winning column for the first time with that come-from-behind win over Dartmouth.

**Yale at Cornell:** The Bulldogs may have found a star in quarterback Alvan Cowan who ran for 114 yards and three touchdowns and hit on 18-for-22 passes for 283 yards and three touchdowns in 49-14 win over San Diego, and should pose problems for Big Red which dropped 14-3 decision to Bucknell last Saturday.

**Lehigh at Pennsylvania:** The Quakers, coming off the impressive beating of Lafayette, should have picked up some tips from Princeton on how to score on the 3-0 Mountain Hawks.



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## St. Andrew's Routs PDS; Panthers Now 0-2

The Princeton Day School football team fell to 0-2 on the season as the Panthers fell 44-15 last Saturday to visiting St. Andrew's of Delaware.

The Panthers, who went into halftime trailing 37-0, did show some fight in the second half as Lon Johnson scored on an 80-yard TD pass from Will King before King scored on a 10-yard run. Johnson ended the afternoon with three catches for 113 yards.

PDS travels to Pennsylvania on September 28 to take on the George School.

## PHS Falls to Trenton; Little Tigers at 0-2

Still looking for its first points of the season, the Princeton High football team was blanked 34-0 by visiting Trenton High last Saturday to fall to 0-2.

The Little Tigers, who were beaten 20-0 by Allentown in

## Trenton Thunder Reaches Four-Year Pact with NY Yankees

Princeton-area fans of the New York Yankees will get a chance to see some of club's key minor leaguers up close and personal as the Trenton Thunder will be the Double A affiliate of the Bronx Bombers for the next four years under a deal reached last week.

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their opener, did show an carries.

improved running game as they rushed for 126 yards on 27 attempts. Nick Procaccino led the ground attack as he rushed for 45 yards on four

Princeton will look to break into the winning column on September 28 as it hosts Ewing High.

## Hun Tops Mercersburg On Passing Attack

Paced by an amazing passing performance from quarterback Chris Malleo, the Hun School football team cruised past visiting Mercersburg Academy 49-28 last Saturday to lift its record to 1-1 on the season.

Malleo, a postgrad from Manasquan, completed 15-for-23 passes for 364 yards and six touchdowns. In the first half alone, Malleo went 13-for-20 for 300 yards and five scores. The recipient of many of Malleo's aeriels was receiver Billy May who caught seven passes for 183 yards and four touchdowns.

The Raiders will look to make it back-to-back wins on September 28 as they host Germantown Academy.

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#### Correction

In an item that ran on page 45 of the September 18 edition regarding the Princeton Day School girls soccer team, Carly Berger was incorrectly referred to as Cathy Berger. The item also should have said that Berger scored three goals in the Metuchen game, not two.

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## PDS Girls' Soccer Tops Hun Led by Two Goals from Costa

The Princeton Day School girls' soccer team was heartbroken when its stellar 2001 campaign ended with an overtime loss to the underdog Hun School in the semifinals of last year's Prep A playoffs.

As PDS prepared for last Wednesday's regular season clash with the Raiders, sophomore midfielder Kristina Costa couldn't shake the agonizing memories of that day.

"I was thinking about the game from last year, it's been irritating me all year," said Costa, referring to the playoff game which saw a Panthers side that had posted 14 wins, its most in four years, fall to a Hun team that came into the showdown with just seven victories. "I came out really wanting this game."

Costa personally made sure that the Panthers got some measure of revenge as she scored a goal in each half to lead PDS to a 2-0 win over its crosstown rivals.

"These were my first goals of the season, I was excited to get them against Hun," added Costa, who said that she considered her effort on Wednesday as the best performance of her PDS career. "I play well against Hun. I think that playoff game was my best game last season."

PDS head coach Ted Harrington knew that his squad was bringing a heightened intensity into the game.

"It was a gritty game. We came in and remembered the last game of last year," said Harrington, whose 3-3 team travels to Peddie on September 25 and Blair on September 28 looking to rebound from a 1-0 loss to Hopewell Valley on Monday which came on the heels of a 7-0 loss to Pingry last Saturday. "It was no secret that we had a little extra incentive. We wanted to play well, the girls were looking forward to this game."

Harrington was impressed by Costa's emergence as the Panthers' secret weapon against the Raiders.

"Kristina played great, she doesn't score much for us normally as we get goals from different places," said Harrington, whose team has generally relied on Lauren Hinkel (6 goals in first 5 games) and Carly Berger (5 goals in first 5 games) for offensive punch. "She plays with a lot of heart and desire and I'm not surprised by anything she accomplishes. She really crashed the net hard."

As for his team's performance overall, Harrington said that while the Panthers' offense "has been clicking," the team "still has a long way to go."

Hun head coach Julie Davis, for her part, knows that her team has a lot of work to do as well.

"At the beginning, we didn't come out hungry for whatever reason," said Davis, whose team rebounded from the PDS loss with a 7-0 win over Mercersburg last Saturday before hosting the George School on September 24, and then heading to Montgomery High on September 28 and Hightstown High on October 1.

"I think we played hard in the second half, it was a different team out there than in the first half. How we play in the next game will be a better indication of where we are. We need to see how they react to adversity."

The Panthers' Costa showed that she and her teammates know how to respond to disappointment.

"I have had a tendency to just let the ball go by sometimes but I broke through this time," explained Costa. "But I couldn't have scored either of those goals without the whole team. I got a really good cross from Hannah

(Buschbaum) on the second one and on the first one it bounced around a lot and I was the one to put it in."

Following Costa's lead, the Panthers were able to move past their final memories of last season. —Bill Alden

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**MY BALL:** Princeton Day forward Lauren Hinkel, left, battling a Hun School defender for ball possession last Thursday as PDS beat the Raiders 2-0.

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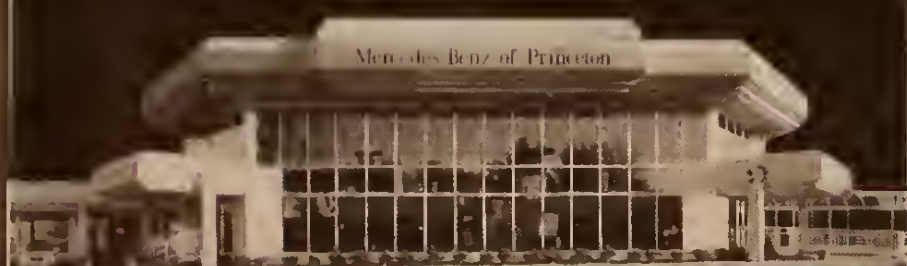
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**COMING UP ACES: Princeton Day School girls' tennis head coach Will Asch is enjoying his debut season guiding the Panthers' program as his squad is off to a 4-1 start.**

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## PDS Girls' Tennis Prospering In Asch's Debut at the Helm

Princeton Day School girls' tennis coach Will Asch likes what he sees from his squad so far in his debut year guiding the program.

"There's a very good chance that we could win a championship this year, either the county or state tournament," said Asch, a 1979 graduate of Cornell University who teaches math at PDS and served as the junior varsity girls coach and boys varsity assistant last year.

Coming off a sparkling 14-2 overall record last year, the team has justified Asch's high hopes as it has gotten out of the gate with a 4-1 start in 2002.

The Panthers kicked off their season by edging cross-town rival Princeton High 3-2 on September 12, paced by wins at first and third singles and second doubles.

A day later, PDS blanked Germantown Academy 5-0 before hitting the road and posting 5-0 sweeps over Morristown-Beard on September 18 and Pennington on the 19th.

Last Saturday, however, the tables were turned on the Panthers as a short-handed PDS squad was dumped 5-0 by perennial power Pingry in Martinsville.

"Obviously, we're not a shoo-in for a title, but we've beaten some very good teams already and our girls are playing well, so I think we've got a good chance," Asch added.

The young squad, which has no seniors, is captained by a junior, Alexis Jacobi. Now in her third year at first

singles, Jacobi is 4-0 on the season, losing just one game in that quartet of triumphs.

Jacobi did not play against Pingry because she was competing in an ETA event this past weekend. "If we had Alexis there, we still might have lost, but we would've had a much better chance," said Asch of the Pingry match.

The squad's second singles stalwart, junior Vidya Vepuri, is 3-2 on the season while fellow 11th-grader Kathryn Batchelor stands at 4-1 at third singles.

Junior Nitzan Sternberg and sophomore Kaitlyn Langdon pair at first doubles, where they've won three of their first five matches, with a duo of juniors Marla Pfenniger and Hilary Cook boasting a 4-1 mark at second doubles.

The only other Panthers player who has seen varsity court time so far this season is Betsy Starkey, a junior who played at third singles against Pingry.

Princeton Day's upcoming matches include a home contest with Lawrenceville on September 26, a trip to Blair on September 28, followed by the Mercer County Tournament which starts on September 30 at Mercer County Park.

—Bill Allen



**VICTORIOUS VIDYA: Princeton Day School junior Vidya Vepuri has posted a 3-2 record so far this season at second singles for the Panthers.**

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## Lawrenceville Football At 2-0 for First Time In Six Years

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After going winless in 2000 and then improving to 4-5 last season, head coach Ken Mills vowed in the preseason that his team was ready to post a winning mark.

So far so good for Lawrenceville which posted visiting Taft 39-26 last Saturday to lift its record to 2-0, the first time the Big Red have been at that mark since 1996.

As impressive as the record is, it was the manner of the victory against Taft that portends further success this season for the Big Red. After Taft tied the game 18-18 early in the second half, Lawrenceville went physical and produced an overwhelming ground attack.

### Six Rushes

The Big Red responded to the Taft score with a 61-yard scoring march that came on six straight rushing plays. Fullback Ian Reynolds starred on the drive, rushing 24 yards on four straight plays. Ryan Arcadia broke the tie with a 12-yard scoring jaunt.

After a 30-yard interception return for a touchdown by Lawrenceville's Nicholas Kehoe pushed the lead to 33-18, the Big Red put Taft away early in the fourth quarter with an eight-play, 52-yard drive which ended in a one-yard plunge by Reynolds.

All told, Lawrenceville rushed for 229 yards on 29 carries on the afternoon. The Big Red spread the ball around as Reynolds ran for 75 yards on 12 carries while Arcadia totaled 67 yards on 6 carries.

Lawrenceville, which beat archrival Peddie 10-7 in overtime to open the season, looks to keep its record unblemished as it heads to Mercersburg Academy on September 28.

## Tigers Women's Lacrosse Visits White House

As a little icing on the cake from last season's NCAA title campaign, the Princeton University women's lacrosse team visited the White House last Tuesday as part of a ceremony in which President Bush honored ten teams that won Division I national titles last spring.

Tigers head coach Chris Saller, who headed up a Princeton delegation that included coaches, players and some administrators, presented a Princeton cap and T-shirt to President Bush notwithstanding his well-known allegiance to Yale University.

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**TAYLOR MADE:** Stuart sophomore Taylor Blazewski darts through the Princeton High defense in Stuart's win at PHS last Friday. Blazewski beat PHS goalkeeper Casey LaMarche for Stuart's second goal as the Tartans won their fourth straight game.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

## Stuart Field Hockey Is on Fire Tops PHS on Two Late Goals

Kelly Fitzpatrick is not one to be stopped by some pain. As Fitzpatrick's Stuart Country Day School field hockey team went through its pregame warm-up for last Friday's game at Princeton High, the junior forward ran stiffly, occasionally grimacing.

Although Fitzpatrick was clearly still bothered from the after-effects of leg cramps she suffered in the Tartans' win over Lawrenceville two days earlier, she made it through warm-ups and refused to take the afternoon off.

The Tartans, despite the boost of having Fitzpatrick on

the field, played sluggishly and went into the break in a scoreless tie with the winless Little Tigers. In the second half, Fitzpatrick, looking almost hobbled at some points, made sure that undefeated Stuart went home with a win as she came up with two assists to help lead the Tartans to a hard-earned 2-0 triumph.

Afterwards, a drained Fitzpatrick said she had never considered sitting out the contest.

"I love playing and I want to do everything I can to win," said an out-of-breath Fitzpatrick, who fed Tracy Statter and Taylor Blazewski on the Stuart goals. "My calves were sore. I got cramps in the Lawrenceville game and they were still hurting. I'm upset that I didn't play as well as I should."

While Fitzpatrick may have been dissatisfied with her performance, she was heartened by the efforts of her teammates.

"Our team played really well, we've had a lot of injuries and we had different players in different places today," added Fitzpatrick, who scored one goal and added four assists in Stuart's first four games this year.

Tartans head coach Missy Bruvik was pleased with how her squad gutted through the game.

"Princeton High played very well, they put a lot of pressure on us," said Bruvik, whose 4-1 squad travels to Blair on September 25 looking to rebound from a 3-1 loss to Stelnert on Monday. "We kind of woke up in the second half. I thought the attack was beautiful. We had

great timing on our break-aways."

With the Tartans off to a sizzling start this fall, Bruvik believes the team is developing into a special group.

"I'm very happy where we are at the start of the season; we have played four tough teams and this is the way to start," added Bruvik, who is in her 17th year heading the Tartans. "We have a lot of kids who have been playing together on the varsity for a few years, there's a big group of seniors and juniors with some freshmen. It's a nice mix of kids, they are good friends off the field."

As for Fitzpatrick's effort, Bruvik acknowledged that her junior star was a "little nervous" about her injury, adding that "I think getting this game behind her should make her feel better."

Princeton head coach Joyce Jones, for her part, was looking to move on from the Stuart game which was her team's third straight loss to start the season.

"We're not finishing in the circle, statistically, we're not getting a lot of shots and when we do get shots, they're not explosive," said Jones, whose team travels to Stelnert on September 25. "I'm very disappointed; you can't break the habit of losing until you start winning."

Stuart, meanwhile, has found a winning groove that is making it increasingly confident about its prospects.

"We're so excited, we've really pulled together, we're practicing really hard, everyone wants it so badly," added Fitzpatrick.

"We think we can make it to the state prep championships, that is our ultimate goal and everybody is very optimistic."

Led by someone with the grit of Fitzpatrick, the Tartans' goals are starting to look more and more realistic.

—Bill Alden

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**FIGHTING FITZPATRICK:** Stuart's Kelly Fitzpatrick, left, battling with Princeton High's Katie Bliss last Friday as the Tartans beat PHS 2-0. Fitzpatrick, a junior forward, played through leg pain to assist on both Tartans goals.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)



## PHS Boys' Soccer at 4-0 After Win at Hightstown

Alden Chanquin and Ryan Morgan both had big days Monday as the Princeton High boys' soccer team cruised past Hightstown 5-0 to improve to 4-0 on the season.

Chanquin and Morgan each tallied a goal and an assist on an afternoon which saw the Little Tigers build a 3-0 half-time lead and never look back. Other Princeton goal scorers included Tim Callahan and Dion Privett.

Princeton will look to keep its record unblemished as it heads to Steinert on September 25, hosts Hamilton on September 27 and then travels to Notre Dame on September 30.

## Cortina Scores 2 Goals As Hun Improves to 2-1

Led by Doug Cortina, who scored twice and added two assists, the Hun School boys' soccer team cruised past visiting Mercersburg 5-0 last Saturday.

The Raiders, who improved to 2-1 with the win, also got goals from Cameron Bonfield, Brian Tuohy and Dave Kasper. Goalkeeper Justin Dennis recorded two saves in picking up the shutout.

Hun traveled to George School on September 24 before heading to Montville High on September 27 and then returning home on September 30 to face Hightstown High.

## Lawrenceville Soccer Draws to Stay Unbeaten

The Lawrenceville School boys' soccer team remained undefeated as it battled to a 1-1 draw at Lawrence High last Monday.

Aaron Brooks put the Big Red ahead with a breakaway goal 6:33 after halftime but Lawrenceville could not hold the lead as Lawrence's Dan Gladney scored a late goal off a corner kick. Big Red goalkeeper Charles Rayner made 12 saves on the day as he helped to preserve the tie.

The 2-0-3 Big Red will look to remain unbeaten as they travel to Mercersburg Academy on September 28.

## Pingry Blanks PDS 5-0 As Panthers Fall to 1-3

The Princeton Day School boys' soccer team was blanked 5-0 at Pingry last Saturday as the Panthers fell to 1-3 on the season.

The Panthers will look to get back on the winning track when they host Peddie on September 25 and travel to Blair on September 28 before a home game with Wardlaw-Hartridge on October 1.

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## Breast Cancer Screening

**Date:** Wednesday, October 16, 2002

**Time:** 5:00-8:00 p.m.

**Location:** Mammography Suite, Ground Floor, Princeton Hospital

**Speaker:** Rachel Dultz, M.D. and Lawrence Jordan, M.D.

**Cost:** \$40.00

Screening will include mammogram, clinical breast examination by a physician, and information about breast cancer. Please call (609) 497-4480 to register.

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## Patriots Drop Two In Fall Softball Action

The Princeton Patriots under-14 softball team dropped a doubleheader last Sunday to visiting Howell Intensity to fall to 1-3 in early season play in the Jersey Girls Fastpitch Fall Classic Softball League.

Princeton was unable to slow Howell's strong batting attack as the Intensity posted 16-1 and 14-2 victories in the twin bill. The Patriots' Kristin De La Rosa showed some spark at the plate as she went 2-for-3 overall on the day with a walk and a run scored.

The Patriots, who split a doubleheader with the Stafford Sting Rays on September 15 to open their season, have upcoming doubleheaders at Hilltop Park in Princeton with the Jersey Diamond Girls on September 28, the West Windsor Mad Dogs on October 5 and Howell Blue on October 11.

## L'ville Field Hockey At 2-1-1 After Draw

A second half goal by Lauren Alfaro gave the Lawrenceville field hockey team a 1-1 tie last Saturday with visiting Episcopal.

The Big Red outshot Episcopal 14-6 but Becky Rust's 12-save effort prevented Lawrenceville from getting the win.

Lawrenceville, which was at 2-1-1 after the draw, hosts Germantown Academy on September 25, travels to Mercersburg Academy on September 28 and then is back at home against South Plainfield on September 30.

## PDS Field Hockey Tops Notre Dame

Led by goals from Beth Breslin and Emily Hamlin, the Princeton Day School field hockey team beat visiting



**RAIDING THE GOAL:** Hun School senior forward Liz McGarrity rushing beleaguered Pennington School goaltender Victoria Hanks in Hun's 7-0 win last Wednesday over the visiting Red Raiders. McGarrity scored one goal in the game while Kelly Dorko added two more. The Raiders followed the Pennington contest with a 2-0 triumph over Mercersburg last Saturday as Tiffany Carter and Katie Kirnan both scored. Hun (2-3) will host Lawrence High on September 24 before heading to Oak Knoll School on September 30 and Hightstown High on October 2.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Notre Dame 2-1 last Monday to improve to 2-3 on the season.

The Panthers, who travel to Blair in September 28, got a strong effort from goalkeeper Amanda King who turned away five shots in holding the Irish to one goal.

## Hun School Tennis at 3-0 After Routing Mercersburg

The Hun School girls' tennis team lifted its record to 3-0 as it swamped visiting Mercersburg 5-0 last Saturday.

The Raiders got straight-set victories in singles play from Angela Di Pastina, Erica Wood and Lucy Di Pastina while the doubles teams of Victoria Kloss and Nina Licciardello and Abby Kazhdan and Ann Wright also won in straight sets.

Hun will look to remain unbeaten as it hosts East Brunswick on September 24 and travels to Princeton High on September 26 and the George School on September 28. The Raiders will compete in the Mercer County Tournament starting on September 30.

## Lawrenceville Tennis Struggles to 1-3 Start

With a victory only in second doubles, the Lawrenceville girls' tennis team lost 4-1 last Thursday to undefeated Moorestown.

The only bright spot for the 1-3 Big Red was the doubles team of Emily Gladden and Natalia Shulga which won their match 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Lawrenceville will look to rebound from its slow start as it hosts Episcopal on September 25 and then travels to Princeton Day on September 26 and Mercersburg Academy on September 28.

## PHS Tennis Edges Notre Dame 3-2

Led by key singles victories from Frances Wong and Lauren Paine, the Princeton High girls tennis team continued its hot start as it beat visiting Notre Dame 3-2 last Monday.

The Little Tigers, now 7-1 on the season, also got a crucial doubles victory from

Jackie Distler and Garima Bhatt.

Princeton travels to West Windsor Plainsboro-North on September 25 before hosting Hun on September 26 in the run-up to the Mercer County Tournament which starts on September 30.

## Stuart Tennis Opens New Courts with Win

Opening its new tennis courts last Friday, the Stuart Country Day School tennis team swept Ranney 5-0 to remain undefeated on the season.

Following a brief ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new complex, the Tartans got straight-set victories in singles play from Illeana Ojeda, Kathleen Murphy and Colleen Farrell. The doubles teams of Alexis Conoscente and Sabina Beri and Suzanne George and Megan Brett also won in straight sets.

Stuart hosts Purnell on September 25 before starting competition in the Mercer County Tournament on September 30.

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## Princeton Cemetery

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church eventually sold the farm in 1848 while retaining three acres for cemetery expansion.

Gifts of more than four acres from Paul Tulane in 1878 and eight acres from Moses Taylor Pyne in 1919 led to the present-day size of almost 19 acres.

Nassau Presbyterian Church, formerly First Presbyterian Church, continues to own and operate the cemetery, which is non-denominational and open to everyone. The cemetery is governed by a board of 15 community members, who oversee a \$2 million endowment for the maintenance and preservation of the grounds.

## Historic Graves

A walk within the grounds quickly reveals why, in his 1878 history on Princeton, John F. Hageman termed the Princeton Cemetery the "Westminster Abbey of the United States." The cemetery includes the graves of many historically significant and interesting figures.

Grover Cleveland, a New Jersey native, served as mayor of Buffalo and governor of New York prior to becoming the President of the United States twice, from 1885 to 1889 and from 1893 and 1897. Each year, his March 18 birthday is marked with a short eulogy and a wreath-laying ceremony.

Aaron Burr Jr. was a colonel in the Army of the Revolution

and Vice President of the United States from 1801 to 1805. He is probably best known, however, for his duel with Alexander Hamilton on July 11, 1804 in Weehawken. Vice President Burr is buried at the foot of his father's grave and near that of his grandfather, Jonathan Edwards, both former presidents of the College.

Jonathan Edwards, a prominent Calvinist theologian whose works included "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God," served as president of the College for a brief time in 1758 before his death by smallpox.

The Rev. John Witherspoon, a Revolutionary War patriot and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, served as president of the College from 1768 to 1794.

Samuel Miller was a professor of ecclesiastical history and church government from 1813 to 1849 at Princeton Theological Seminary, where Miller Chapel was later named in his honor. The Nassau Club, located at 6 Mercer Street, is housed in the residence that Professor Miller built for himself in 1814 a short distance from the seminary campus.

A financier and philanthropist to Princeton University, Mr. Pyne's Princeton home, Drumthwacket, is now the official residence of the governor of New Jersey.

William Drew Robeson and Maria Louisa Bustill Robeson were the parents of Paul Robeson, the African-American concert singer and actor famous for his roles in *Emperor Jones* and *Othello*.

Edgar Palmer was a benefactor to both the University and the community for whom Palmer Square, built in 1929, is named.

Mr. Tulane, a Princeton-area native, became a highly successful dry goods merchant in New Orleans who

was known for his philanthropy toward Tulane University, which was named in his honor, and the First Presbyterian Church. According to Mr. Sutphen, Mr. Tulane's monument, which features a statue, intentionally has its back turned to the University because officials refused to rename the institution in his honor.

## Declaration Signer

A lawyer and signer of the Declaration of Independence, Richard Stockton Jr. was a statesman who served his native New Jersey in the Senate from 1796 to 1799 and then in the House of Representatives from 1813 to 1815.

James Iley McCord serves as the fourth president of Princeton Theological Seminary and founded the Center of Theological Inquiry in 1978.

Barbara Boggs Sigmund, whose epitaph refers to her

"passion for beauty and justice," served as the mayor of Princeton Borough from 1984 until her untimely death from cancer in 1990.

Many people have discovered the confluence of history and tranquility at the Princeton Cemetery. Mr. Sutphen estimated that the cemetery goes through 1,500 maps, which provide highlights and background information on the cemetery, each year.

The Sutphen family has its own history with the Princeton Cemetery. Mr. Sutphen is the fourth consecutive generation within the Sutphen family to care for the Princeton cemetery grounds; his father, Claude Sutphen, still lives on the grounds, and his son works there part time.

While the history is in great supply, the space within the cemetery is quickly running out. Mr. Sutphen estimates that the available plots of land will be sold out within one

year. Thus far, attempts to secure other land for burial space have proven unsuccessful.

He speculates that the situation could cause a problem for Princeton residents in the near future. "The majority of the people here have lived in the community forever," said Mr. Sutphen, "and they wanted to stay in the community."

Meanwhile, the cemetery continues to offer a unique window into the history of the Princeton community. The Princeton Cemetery grounds are open daily from dawn to dusk, and the office is open Monday through Friday from 8 to 4.

—David McNutt

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**TRANQUIL SETTING:** Among its shade trees, the Princeton Cemetery offers a space for meditation and reflection.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)



**A WINDOW INTO HISTORY:** The grave of Grover Cleveland, a New Jersey native who served as President of the United States twice, is among the historic burial sites at Princeton Cemetery. Each year, his birthday is marked with a short eulogy and a wreath-laying ceremony.

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# The History of the African American Community in Princeton

Prepared by PULSE (Pride Unity Leadership Sisterhood Esteem) of Princeton High School.

## Part Three Churches

Religion was foremost to the colored residents. Before churches were built, services were held in some residents' homes. Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church, located on the corner of Witherspoon and Maclean streets, is the oldest black church in Princeton. In 1832, it was organized by Samson Peters, a preacher at the Trenton AME Church. The congregation met in a house on Witherspoon Street until 1835 when the first church building was constructed. The present structure was built in 1860. A tiny cemetery next to the church shows tombstones dating back to the 1850s.

### PRINCETON History



Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church

(Photo by Claude Satterfield)

Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church is located on the corner of Witherspoon and Quarry streets. Members, who left the First Presbyterian Church on Nassau Street, started worshipping in what was then the First Presbyterian Church of Color, in 1837. The first communion was in 1840 which is the date given for the church's beginning. The Reverend William Drew Robeson, father of Paul Robeson, was a minister at Witherspoon for 21 years (1880-1901). Through the years church leaders and members spoke against slavery, led the effort to build Princeton's first integrated housing development in the 1950s, and were active in the Civil Rights Movement.

Betsey Stockton started a Sabbath School at Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church.

The First Baptist Church is located on Paul Robeson Place and John Street. Formerly known as the Bright Hope Baptist Church, it started as a prayer group in 1880 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Jackson who lived at 11 Green Street.

After moving to the Pat Riley house on Witherspoon Street, then Odd Fellow Hall (previously the Witherspoon School for Colored Children) the congregation purchased a plot and built their church in 1885. In 1930 the church's name was changed to the First Baptist Church.



Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church

(Photo by Claude Satterfield)



First Baptist Church

(Photo by Claude Satterfield)

In 1958 the pastor, Reverend Parker, along with church and community members fought against a plan by the Borough of Princeton to move the church from its present location. This was another time in the history of the African American community that an attempt was made to displace houses and establishments in what is known as the Witherspoon-Jackson community.

The Morning Star Church of God in Christ is located on Birch Avenue. The congregation worshipped in a small house next to the present building. The church was chartered on the fourth Sunday in June, 1941 and the present building was built in 1952.

This is the third part of a history of the African American community prepared by PULSE, a group formed by retired Princeton High School Guidance Counsellor Shirley Sotterfield. Acknowledgements go to PULSE members Louren Porker, Razwel Reed, Josmine Teague; the Historical Society of Princeton, Elizabeth Lien of Princeton Regional Schools; Ms. Sotterfield; Photographer Claude Sotterfield; Susie B. Waxwood; Henry Pannell; Romus Broodwoy; and the Rev. Judson M. Corter.



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## OBITUARIES

**Dennis R. Sullivan**, 54, died September 19 at home.

Born in Princeton, Mr. Sullivan graduated from Princeton schools, and received his Associates Degree from Rutgers University.

He began his career as a mechanic with Princeton Township Public Works. He spent the last 12 of 32 years of service as superintendent of Public Works.

Mr. Sullivan received his 30-year pin as a member of Princeton Hook and Ladder Fire Co., and also served as head driver for many years. He became a life member of Mercerville Fire Co., where he also served as an engineer. He served as Fire commissioner of District No. 2.

Mr. Sullivan was a member of many organizations, including the R.E.O. committee of Mercerville; the A.P.W.A. Executive Board; D.C.A. Executive Board and State Board of D.C.A. He served as treasurer of South Branch of A.D.W.A.

He received the first certification in New Jersey for Public Works Management.

As a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, he was responsible for the affiliation of the church with Cub Scouts Pack No. 38. He also served on the maintenance commission of Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

Son of the late Thomas Sullivan, he is survived by his mother, Margaret M. Sullivan of Princeton; his wife, Mary Ann; two sons, Dennis R. Sullivan, Jr. and Patrick B. Sullivan, both of Mercerville; two daughters, Christine Longmuir of San Diego, Calif. and Patricia Richter of Mercerville; a granddaughter; and an aunt.

The service was held from The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, and a Mass of Christian Burial was held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Entombment was at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 3816 East State Street, Ext., Mercerville, N.J. 08619 or in Mr. Sullivan's name to The American Cancer Society, 3076 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, N.J. 08648.

**Shirley Stein**, 77, of Princeton, died September 18, at The Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she lived in Princeton for 30 years.

She graduated from Brooklyn College and received a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

She was a social worker for the Children's Guidance Center of Princeton, retiring after 30 years.

Daughter of the late Isadore and Helen Eglas, she is survived by two sons, David of Glen Cove, N.Y. and Paul of Philadelphia, Pa.

The funeral was held September 19 at The Jewish Center of Princeton. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

**Charles Simone**, 81, of Lawrenceville, died September 18 at home.

Born in Trenton, he was a lifelong area resident.

He was owner and operator of Simon's Service Station and car dealership in Lawrenceville. He was a World War II Army Air Corps veteran, and past deacon and founding member of Covenant Presbyterian Church.

He was a member of the Trenton Cyprus Masonic Lodge 5, Pennington, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Trenton AAOONS where he was a 32nd degree Mason, Trenton Shrine Club and Colonel Emeritus of the Crescent Temple Shrine United Units.

He is survived by his wife, Frances D. Simone; son Dr. Charles B. Simone; daughters Dr. Jill B. Simone and Dr. Cheryl L. Simone, both of Lawrenceville; brothers John Seamon and Michael Simone, both of Ewing; sisters Mary Syzmelewicz of Ewing and Grace Lavis of Hamilton; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was held September 21 at Parkside Brenna-Cellini Funeral Home, Ewing. Entombment was in Ewing Mausoleum.

Memorial contributions may be made to Simone Protective Cancer Institute, 123 Franklin Corner Road, Lawrenceville 08648.

**Jeanne Hart Munley Drake**, 80, died September 18 at The Medical Center of Princeton.

Born in Carbondale, Pa., she grew up in Mayfield, Pa., and lived in the Somerville area before moving to Skillman 24 years ago.

Mrs. Drake was a fourth grade teacher at Immaculate Conception School for 10 years and worked as a proof reader and editor at American Cyanamid for many years. She was a reader and volunteer at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Skillman and a member and vice president of the Montgomery Senior Citizens.

She loved music, traveling, reading, and bird watching.

Wife of the late Eugene J. Munley, mother of the late Michael Munley, and sister of the late John and Thomas Hart, she is survived by her husband of 24 years, John W. Drake; two sons, Joe of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Chris of Raritan; a daughter, Ellen Wiles of Hamilton Square; and five grandchildren.

The service was held at Hillsborough Funeral Home and Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Charles Borromeo Church. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Somerville.

**Graham S. Cragg**, 77, of Princeton, died September 15 after a long illness.

He was born and raised in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

He was a pilot in the Royal Navy during World War II. After his discharge, he came to the United States.

He earned bachelor and master's degrees at the University of Michigan and settled in the Detroit area where he taught at Gross Pointe Country Day School.

In 1969 he moved to New Jersey. He taught at Princeton Day School, retiring in 1988.

Husband of the late Bar-

bara C. Cragg, he is survived by daughters Melinda Chalener, Sarah Johnson and Christine Cragg; sons Steven and Kevin; and five grandchildren.

The family will hold an open house in the late spring to commemorate his life.

**Juana F. Chang**, 68, of Princeton Junction, died September 15 at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

Born in Taishan, China, she came to the United States in 1945, and lived in Columbus, Ohio. She lived in Knoxville, Iowa from 1970 until she moved to Princeton Junction in 2002.

She graduated from Ohio State University with a bachelor of science degree. She was employed by the Veterans Administration Hospital in Knoxville for 25 years.

Wife of the late Theodore Chang, she is survived by a son, Vincent of West New York, N.J.; daughters Joyce Chang of New York City and Carol Chang of Princeton Junction; sisters Ling Harris and May Lee of Ramah, N.M.; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

**Dorothy M. Tindall**, 95, of West Windsor, died September 16 at Morris Hall, Lawrence.

Born in Holmesburg, Pa., she lived in West Windsor before moving to Morris Hall.

She was a secretary with Stults Realty in Cranbury, retiring in 1983 after 12 years.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Dutch Neck, where she was a session member and deacon. She was also a member of West Windsor Volunteer Fire Co. 1 Ladies Auxiliary, West Windsor Historical Society, the Hearing Society of Central New Jersey and Keenager Club of West Windsor.

Wife of the late Malcolm S. Tindall and mother of the late M. Bruce Tindall, she is survived by two daughters, Patricia T. Tantom of Lawrenceville, and Marilyn Bergen of Houston, Texas; two sons, Barry S. of Falls Church, Va., and Wayne R. of West Windsor; eight grandchildren; and three great-granddaughters.

The funeral was held September 20 at Saul Colonial Home, Hamilton Square. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Dutch Neck, 154 S. Mill Road, Princeton Junction 08550, or to West Windsor Volunteer Fire Co. 1 Ladies Auxiliary, 152 S. Mill Road, Princeton Junction 08550.

**Barbara A. Conove**, 82, of Princeton Junction, died September 18, at Princeton Nursing Home.

Born in Chicago, Ill., she lived in the Cranbury area since 1989.

Daughter of the late Arthur and Mable M. Browning, and wife of the late Adolph Conove, she is survived by a daughter, Julie Schmidt of



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West Windsor; and two granddaughters.

The funeral will be held in Chicago.

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**Vincent C. Staats Sr.**, 84, of Hamilton, died September 23 at The Medical Center at Princeton.

He was born in Belle Mead and lived there for 25 years. He lived in Princeton from 1955 to 1985 when he moved to Ft. Myers, Fla. He moved to Hamilton in 2000.

He was a veteran of the Army Air Corp in World War II. He was the first Service man in World War II to bowl a 300 score.

He was employed as an electrician by Naval Air Turbine Test Station in West Trenton and by the Naval Air Station in Lakehurst. He retired in 1980 from Educational Testing Service.

He was a member of Christ Congregation where he was on the board of deacons and served as an usher. He was also a member of the National Association of Federal Employees. He was a volunteer for five years at The Medical Center of Princeton.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Audrey S. Staats; sons Vincent C. Jr. of Lawrenceville, Gregory L. of Princeton Junction, and James E. of Belle Mead; and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held September 26 at 1 at Christ Congregation. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 on September 25 at The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home. Burial will be in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Middlebush.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Congregation, 50 Walnut Lane, Princeton 08540, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

**Josephine A. Westefeld**, 89, of Jamesburg, died September 15 at home.

Born in Slaton, Texas, she graduated from Baylor University, Waco, Texas. She was a nurse's aide in San Diego, Calif. during World War II. After the war, she was employed by the Works Progress Administration in Washington, D.C.

She moved to Princeton in 1946 and was active in the Public Library, the Present Day Club, the Red Cross, and the College Club of Princeton.

Wife of the late Albert Westefeld, she is survived by a son, John S. of Iowa City, Iowa; and two grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at Monroe Village, Jamesburg. Burial will be in Trinity-All Saints Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Recording for the Blind, 20 Roszel Road, Princeton 08540.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Kimble Funeral Home.

**Jeanne H. Munley Drake**, 80, of Montgomery, died September 18 at The Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Carbondale, Pa., she grew up in Mayfield, Pa. and lived in the Somerville area before moving to Skillman 24 years ago.

She was a fourth-grade teacher at Immaculate Conception School for 10 years and worked as a proofreader and editor at American Cyanamid for many years.

Wife of the late Eugene J. Munley, and mother of the late Michael Munley, she is survived by her husband of 24 years, John W. Drake; sons Joe Munley of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Chris Munley of Raritan; daughter Ellen Wiles of Hamilton Square; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held September 21 at Hillsborough Funeral Home. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Skillman.

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Dr. Sarah Coakley, a priest in the Church of England's Diocese of Oxford and the Edward Mallinckrodt Jr. Professor of Divinity at Harvard University Divinity School, will give the annual Stone Lectures at Princeton Theological Seminary from September 30 to October 3.

Prof. Coakley's topic for the five-lecture series is "God, Sexuality, and the Self: A Theology of the Trinity." In addressing the Trinity, she will be addressing one of the oldest and most central doctrines in the Christian faith, one that describes the particular relationship of the three persons of the Christian God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit.

Prof. Coakley is the author of *Powers and Submissions: Spirituality, Philosophy, and Gender and The Making and Remaking of Christian Doctrine*.

The schedule of lectures is as follows: Monday, September 30, at 7, "Prayer, Desire, and Social Constraint: Neglected Strands in the Patristic Trinitarian Heritage"; Tuesday, October 1, at 1:15, "The Charismatic Constitution: Embarrassment or Riches for Trinitarian Theology?"; Tuesday, October 1, at 7, "Seeing God? Trinitarian Thought Through Iconographic Tradition"; Wednesday, October 2, at 7, "Batter My Heart? Feminist Reorientations of Classic Trinitarianism"; Thursday, October 3, at 1:15, "God, Sexuality, and the Self: The Primacy of Divine Desire and the 'Apothatic Turn.'"

The lectures are free and open to the public. Call 497-7760 or visit [www.ptsem.edu](http://www.ptsem.edu) for information.

### Queenship of Mary Church To Hold Auction Saturday

Queenship of Mary Church will host an auction, presented by Ross Galleries on Saturday at the Parish Hall, 16 Dey Road, Plainsboro.

Items, including goods and services, have been donated by area merchants and parishioners. Art selections from Gorman, Mikanovic, Rockwell, Chagall, Wyeth, Agam and others, custom-matted and framed, will be available for auction.

The Silent Auction of 25 higher priced items will be combined with the live Art Auction, including goods and services, such as Knicks and Rangers tickets, tennis lessons, local restaurant gift certificates, Longaberger baskets, video editing service, and baskets of wine and champagne.

Preview of Art and Silent Auction items (ranging in value from \$35 to \$300) is from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with the Auction beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Wine and cheese and coffee and cake will be served. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Proceeds will benefit the church.

For tickets and information, call 918-9257 or [Leepitz@aol.com](mailto:Leepitz@aol.com)

### Visiting Theologian Comes to Trinity Church

Dr. R. William Franklin, Dean Emeritus of Yale's Berkeley Divinity School and the bishop's scholar-in-residence for the Episcopal Diocese of New York, will come to Trinity Episcopal Church as Visiting Theologian this weekend.

Included is a Friday evening lecture, discussion. A day-long Saturday retreat (9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with a break for lunch) will examine in depth the Anglican faith community's roots in Benedictine spirituality. The retreat is free of charge and open to the public.

Discussion of the theme will continue with Dr. Franklin's sermon during each of Trinity's three Sunday workshop services (8, 9, and 11:15 a.m.) and during its Forum Hour at 10:15 a.m.

For more information or to sign up for the retreat, call 924-2277, ext. 120.

### Trinity Church Schedules Blessing of the Animals

In honor of St. Francis Day, Trinity Church invites the public's participation in its outdoor "Blessing of the Animals" program Friday, October 4, at 6 on the church grounds. In the spirit of giving thanks for all things created, all are encouraged to bring pets or plants to be blessed during the service.

This year, the traditional English dance troupe Millstone River Morris will join the service's line-up of prayers, readings, and song. The group practices weekly at the church throughout the year, its bell- and ribbon-bedecked dancers taking inspiration from the tradition of the Morris team of Britain's Cotswold Village of Brampton-in-the-Bush.

Children, especially, are invited to participate. All creatures may wear a red scarf or ribbon to add to the festive scene. "The Blessing of the Animals" has been a special annual event at Trinity Church for more than two decades and has welcomed numerous species from goldfish to donkeys and other unusual floral and fauna.

This year's "Blessing of the Animals" will also begin Trinity's "Creation Season" 2002, a month-long celebration and examination of God's creation and humans' stewardship of that gift. Special Scripture readings and music selections, sermons, and discussions will continue throughout October during Trinity's weekly Sunday services (8, 9, and 11:15 a.m.) coffee hours, and special discussion groups.

First Sunday in Creation, October 6, will feature "The Glory of God in Nature and the Animal Kingdom", with readings from Genesis 1:1-25 (the creation account prior to humans), Psalm 104:1-25, and Gospel of Matthew 6:25-33 (lilies of the field).

### Bulletin Notes

**New Horizon Baptist Church** will hold a revival on Sunday, September 29, at 11, at the Grace Rogers School, 382 Stockton Street, Hightstown. Guests will be Pastor Terry Brown and the Pure Light Baptist Church, Houston, Texas. Dinner will be served following the service. Call 448-6003 for information.



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## Real Estate Notes

**Bonnie Wilson** has joined N.T. Callaway Real Estate as a sales associate.

Ms. Wilson is a lifelong Princeton resident. She has been active in the Hospital Auxiliary, Stuart Country Day School Parent Association, and the Partnership for Arts Education.



Bonnie Wilson

Three sales associates at the Princeton Junction office of Weichert, Realtors have been honored for their achievements in August.

**Anna Shulkina** led the office in sales during August. She is a member of the 2001 New Jersey Million Dollar Club at the silver level. She also earned a place in Weichert's 2001 Million Dollar Sales and Marketed Clubs and Weichert's 2001 Ambassador's Club.

**Rosemary Owens** led the office in dollar volume and listings sold in August. She is a member of the 2001 New Jersey Million Dollar Club at the bronze level. She also earned a place in Weichert's 2001 Million Dollar Sales and Marketed Clubs and Weichert's 2001 Executive Club.



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**Yoomi Moon** led the office in revenue units and listings in August. She is a member of Weichert's 2001 Million Dollar Sales Club.

**Janet Egbert** has joined the Princeton Junction office of Coldwell Banker as a sales associate.

She is a graduate of the Realtor Institute and has been a real estate professional for 15 years. She achieved silver level status in the NJAR Million Dollar Club in 2001. She has lived in Mercer County for over 20 years.



Janet Egbert

**George "Scott" Glenfield**, of Mansfield Township, has joined RE/MAX of Princeton as a sales associate. He will specialize in the listing and sales of residential properties and condominiums throughout Middlesex, Mercer, Burlington and Somerset counties.

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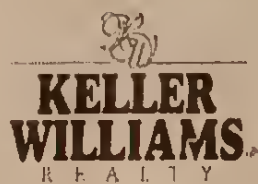
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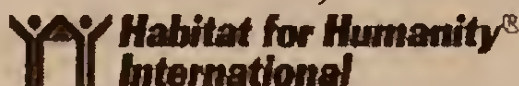


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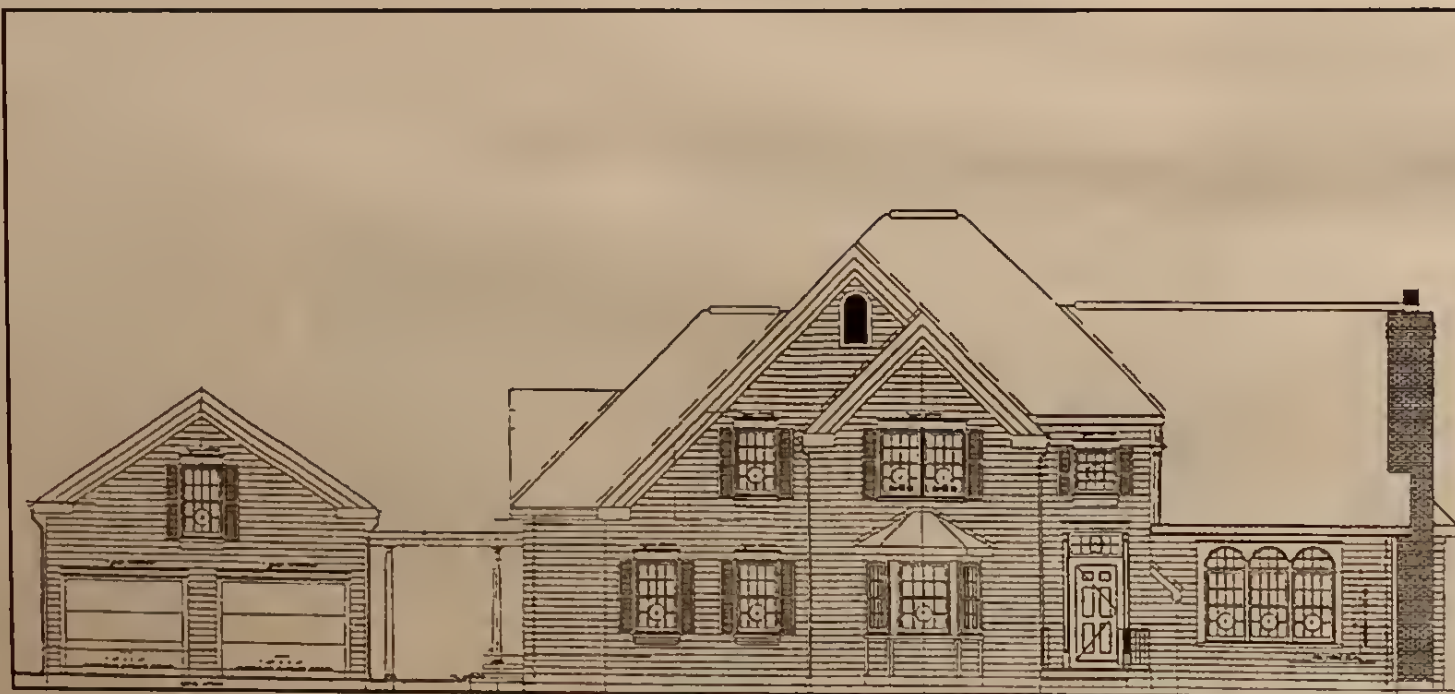
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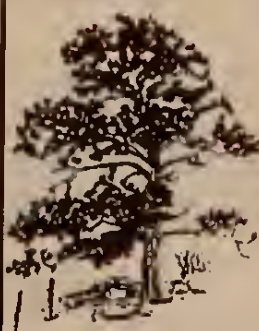
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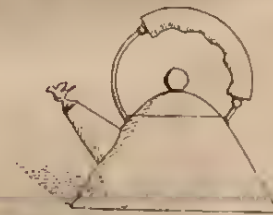
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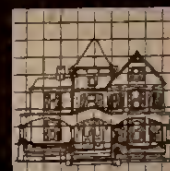


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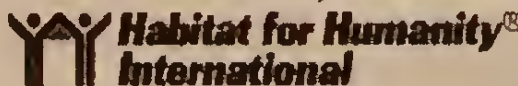
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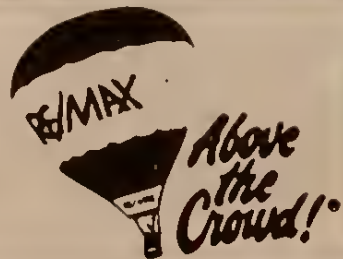
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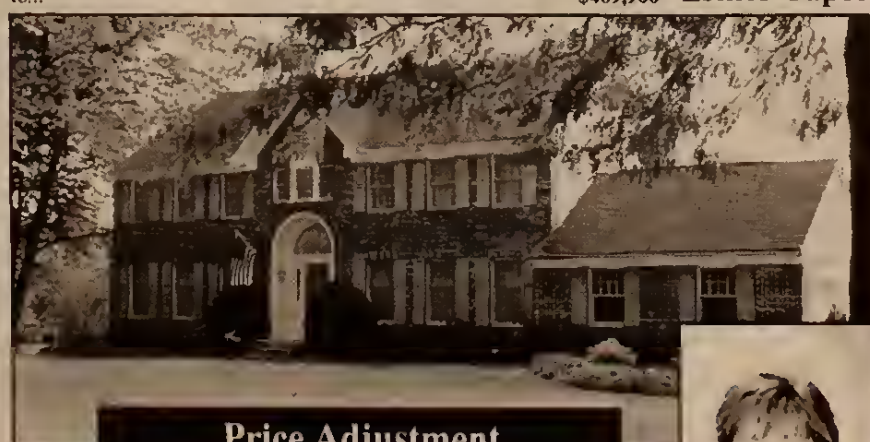
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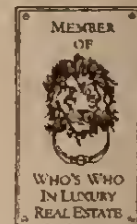
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